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I. Introduction

GENERAL INFORMATION

The 02, 03, 03C, 03E and 04 versions of the PM 3250 oscilloscope have been designed for general laboratory applications. Each version features a dual channel d.c. to 50 MHz vertical deflection system, with a maximum sensitivity of 2 mV/div. This sensitivity may be increased to 200 μ V/div. at a bandwidth of 5 MHz. The drift which is inherent at these high sensitivities is extensively reduced by a feed-back system.

There are field effect transistors incorporated in the input stages, and power output sockets enable active measuring probes and other devices to be supplied.

During differential measurements, it is possible to display the differential signal and the channel B signal simultaneously. A signal delay line has been incorporated so that the leading edges of extremely fast signals may be displayed.

The PM 3250 is equipped with a main time-base and a delayed time-base, each of which contains a complete trigger unit. The delayed time-base enables detailed displays of complex signals to be made across the entire width of the screen. There is a single sweep facility incorporated in the main time-base circuit. The maximum horizontal deflection speed using the x5 magnifier is 10 ns/div.

The 03E and 04 versions of the oscilloscope is capable of providing an extremely high level of display intensity. This intensity is especially useful for writing very fast single shot or low repetition rate signals.

II. Technical data

Properties expressed in numerical values with stated tolerances are guaranteed for nominal mains voltages. Numerical values without tolerances merely serve as a guide and represent the characteristics of an average instrument.

VERTICAL AMPLIFIERS

two amplifiers (channels A and B), drift-compensated, d.c.-coupled

Display modes

signal A only
 signal B or $-B$ only
 signal A and $\pm B$ chopped at 600 kHz
 signal A and $\pm B$ alternate
 signal (A-B) only
 signal (A-B) and $\pm B$ chopped*
 signal (A-B) and $\pm B$ alternate*

Bandwidth

x1 mode
 DC: 0 Hz to 50 MHz, (-3 dB)
 AC: 3 Hz to 50 MHz, (-3 dB)
 Rise-time ≤ 7 ns

x10 mode
 DC: 0 Hz to 5 MHz, (-3 dB)
 AC: 3 Hz to 5 MHz, (-3 dB)
 Rise-time 70 ns

Deflection factor

x1 mode
 2 mV/div. to 20 V/div. in 13 calibrated steps (1, 2, 5 sequence)
x10 mode
 200 μ V/div. to 2 V/div. in 13 calibrated steps (1, 2, 5 sequence)
 Uncalibrated vernier permits continuous control 1: > 2.5 between steps

Accuracy

x1 mode: $\pm 3\%$ with respect to position 20 mV/div.
x10 mode: additionally 2 %

Input impedance

1 M Ω //20 pF

Input RC time

50 ms

Maximum input voltage

DC: ± 400 V
 AC: 400 V_{p-p}

Positioning range

x1 mode
 3 times useful screen height (24 div.)
x10 mode
 20 times useful screen height (160 div.)

Signal delay

Visible, 30 ns; total delay line 65 ns

Overshoot/undershoot of signal display

A and B: 2 %
 (A-B) and $-B$: 5 %
 Simultaneous display decoupling factor (see IEC 351) at 30 MHz,
 2 mV/div. and 6 divisions disturbing voltage: Typically 4 %.

*In these positions both signals (A-B) and B are displayed, so it is possible to display simultaneously the differential signal (A-B) and the signal on channel B.

Common-mode rejection factor:
common-mode voltage, 800 mV and 20 mV/div.

x1 mode

50 Hz \geq 400	} maximum permissible common-mode voltage 5x screen height
100 Hz 400	
5 MHz 40	
20 MHz \geq 20	

x10 mode

50 Hz \geq 400	} maximum permissible common-mode voltage 50x screen height
2 kHz 400	
1 MHz 100	

Maximum drift at maximum amplification:

Typical values at 200 μ V/div. after the instrument has been operating for half an hour under ambient room conditions:

Short-term measured over 1 min period	0.3 div.
Long-term measured over 1 hr period	0.5 div.
Long-term measured over 1 week	1.0 div.
Influence of temperature	0.2 div./ $^{\circ}$ C

Dynamic range for sine-wave signals:

Continuous control in position CAL

100 kHz \geq 40 div.	} x1 mode
15 MHz \geq 25 div.	
50 MHz \geq 6 div.	
100 kHz \geq 400 div.	} x10 mode
5 MHz \geq 170 div.	

Displayed noise, tangentially measured, including periodic deviations (P.A.R.D.)

Source resistance 50 ohm

at 2 mV/div.	\leq 0.1 div.
at 200 μ V/div.	\leq 0.5 div.

Source resistance 10 megohm

at 2 mV/div.	0.2 div.
at 200 μ V/div.	0.5 div.

CALIBRATION

Calibration voltage

600 mV \pm 1 %

Calibration current

6 mA (short-circuit) \pm 2 %

Frequency

2 kHz \pm 1 %

HORIZONTAL AMPLIFIER

(Deflection with external voltage via channel B; x-10 mode, beamfinder, and X magnifier inoperative).

Bandwidth

DC; 0 Hz to 5 MHz, (-3 dB)	} If channel A is used in the x10 mode, the bandwidth is reduced to 4 MHz (-3 dB)
AC: 3 Hz to 5 MHz, (-3 dB)	

Dynamic range	1 kHz : 8 div. 5 MHz: -3 dB
Overshoot	5 % with a rise-time of 100 ns
Input impedance	1 M Ω //20 pF
Input RC-time	50 ms
Maximum input voltage	DC: ± 400 V AC: 400 V _{p-p}
Phase shift between X and Y amplifiers	$\leq 3^\circ$ at 100 kHz
Deflection coefficient	2 mV/div. to 20 V/div. in 13 calibrated steps; uncalibrated vernier allows continuous control between steps
Polarity	positive or negative

MAIN TIME-BASE

Sweep speeds	50 ns/div. to 1 s/div. in 23 calibrated steps (1, 2, 5 sequence); uncalibrated vernier allows continuous control (1: ≥ 2.5) between the steps.
Accuracy	± 3 % measured over the middle eight div. for all ranges except 1 s/div., 0.5 s/div. and 0.2 s/div., which have a tolerance of ± 5 %. In the x5 position there is an additional tolerance of ± 2 %.
Positioning range	At x5 magnification the ends of the trace can be brought on to the screen by the X POSITION control
Modes	Triggered, automatic, single sweep
Magnification	x5 magnification of the X amplifier gain (maximum sweep speed is therefore 10 ns/div.) In the x5 position, the accuracy tolerance is additionally ± 2 %.

TRIGGERING

Source	Internal channel A (or A-B), internal channel B or external
Slope	Positive or negative
Trigger coupling	LF: 3 Hz to 1 MHz, (-3 dB) HF: 2 kHz to > 75 MHz, (-3 dB) DC: 0 Hz to > 75 MHz, (-3 dB)
Trigger sensitivity	Internal: ≤ 0.5 div. up to 20 MHz ≤ 1.0 div. up to 50 MHz External: ≤ 0.5 V up to 20 MHz ≤ 1.0 V up to 50 MHz
Input impedance	1 megohm//20 pF. Same for the vertical channels so probe can be used both for measuring and triggering
Maximum input voltage	DC: ± 400 V AC: 400 V _{p-p} permissible for 30 sec. only; 200 V _{p-p} continuously.
Level range	Internal: position x1, 8 div. approx. position x5, 40 div. approx. External: position x1, 6 V approx. position x5, 30 V approx.

DELAYED TIME-BASE

Sweep speeds	50 ns/div. to 0.5 s/div. in 22 calibrated steps (1, 2, 5 sequence). Vernier permits continuous control (1: > 2.5) between the steps (uncalibrated).
Accuracy	$\pm 3\%$ measured over the middle 8 div. for all ranges except for positions 0.5 s/div., and 0.2 s/div., which have a tolerance of $\pm 5\%$. In the x5 position there is an additional tol. of $\pm 2\%$.
Magnification	x5 (maximum sweep speed is therefore 10 ns/div. due to the magnification of gain of X ampl.) In the x5 position, the accuracy tolerance is additionally $\pm 2\%$.
Positioning range	The ends of the trace can be brought on to the screen by the X POSITION control
Delay control	Incremental multiplier linearity typically 0.3 % measured at 1 ms/div. by main time-base. Delay-time jitter < 1: 20000 Initial delay time, typically 40 ns
Modes	Position STARTS: triggered by main sweep immediately after delay time Position TRIGG : triggered by measuring signal after delay time (applicable for jitter-free measurements). Position OFF : delayed time-base is switched off.

MAIN TIME-BASE OUTPUT

	Not protected against external voltages.
Sawtooth voltage	(Open-circuit) +8 V, base line 0 V
Output resistance	4.7 k Ω

DELAYED GATE OUTPUT

	Not protected against external voltages.
Square-wave gate voltage	(Open-circuit) +2 V, base line 0 V. Signal available only in position DEL'D TB of X DEFL. switch.
Output resistance	600 Ω

DISPLAY

Cathode ray tube	D14 – 160 GH/09, internal graticule with dotted calibration lines at 10 % and 90 %.
Useful screen area	8 cm x 10 cm
Phosphor	GH (P31)
Total acceleration voltage	10 kV
Graticule illumination	Continuously adjustable
Beamfinder	Push-button control for reducing the deflection sensitivity to display the signal within the screen area. Also resets the X magnifier to x1 position if in the x5 position.

Z MODULATION

Source	Internal or external.
Internal:	Brightness controlled by main time-base. Brightness controlled by main time-base intensified by delayed time-base Brightness controlled by delayed time-base In CHOPP position the beam is suppressed during switching
External:	Via an a.c. or d.c.-coupled input
Voltage for visible indication	5 V
Polarity	a.c.-coupled: negative to increase trace intensity d.c.-coupled: positive to increase trace intensity
Bandwidth	DC: 0 Hz to 5 MHz AC: 3 kHz to 50 MHz
Input impedance	DC: 1 M Ω //20 pF AC: 50 Ω

POWER SUPPLY

Mains voltages	Nominal Voltage	Permissible Voltage Range*
	110 V	100 V to 120 V
	125 V	117 V to 140 V
	SPEC (145 V)	133 V to 160 V
	200 V	184 V to 220 V
	220 V	200 V to 240 V
	245 V	217 V to 260 V
Power consumption	100 W approximately	
Mains frequency	46 Hz to 440 Hz	
Accessory power supply	+24 V d.c. } suitable for supplying Philips active accessories, e.g., - 24 V d.c. } PM 9352, PM 9347.	

TEMPERATURE RANGE

Operating within specification	0 °C to +45 °C
Operating range	-10 °C to +55 °C
Storage range	-40 °C to +70 °C
(These temperature ranges comply with IEC Standard 68)	

PHYSICAL

Overall Dimensions	Height	24.5 cm
	Width	34.0 cm
	Depth	53.5 cm
Weight	18.5 kg (40 lb) approximately	

* Measured at 50 Hz and with a distortion that reduces the peak voltage by less than 5 %.

III. Accessories

The oscilloscope is supplied complete with the following accessories:

- A manual
- Two adaptors, BNC to 4 mm (PM 9051)
- A trimming rod
- An additional green contrast plate
- Collapsible viewing hood (PM 9366)

The following items are also available as optional accessories:

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|------------------------------------|---------|
| — Current loop | PM 9040 |
| — HF 10:1 probe | PM 9350 |
| — HF 1:1 probe | PM 9335 |
| — Miniature probe | PM 9352 |
| — Adaptor for rack mount | PM 9364 |
| — Polaroid oscilloscope camera set | PM 9380 |
| — TV probe | PM 9347 |
| — Supplementary lens for PM 9380 | PM 9373 |
| — Camera adaptor | PM 9376 |
| — Carrying case | PM 9394 |
| — Trolley | PM 9395 |

IV. Description of the blockdiagram

A. GENERAL

The oscilloscope PM 3250 consists of the following parts:

- a dual channel vertical system
- Main time-base
- Delayed time-base
- a horizontal amplifier
- an unblanking circuit
- a cathode ray tube circuit
- a stabilised power supply
- a calibration voltage generator

B. DUAL CHANNEL VERTICAL SYSTEM

This dual channel vertical system contains the following components:

- An "AC/O/DC" switch by means of which the coupling of the input signal can be selected.
- A step attenuator controlled by switch "AMPL" enables the adjustment of the vertical deflection sensitivity in calibrated steps.
- A FET source follower giving the circuit a high input impedance
- A pre-amplifier
- An emitter follower adapting the pre-amplifier to the next stage.
By means of potentiometer "AMPL", the vertical deflection sensitivity can be continuously controlled. From the emitter follower the signal is distributed to:
 - the intermediate amplifier
 - the trigger pick-off stage
 - the drift reduction circuit
- A drift reduction circuit which senses the input voltage and a part of the output voltage of the pre-amplifier to determine the drift voltage originated in the pre-amplifier. After amplification, this drift voltage is fed back to the second input of the pre-amplifier. In this way the overall drift is strongly reduced.
- An amplifier which further amplifies the signal. By means of the "Y POSITION" control the trace can be shifted in vertical direction. When switch "A/OFF/A-B" is in position "A-B", the signal of channel B is also applied to the amplifier of channel A so that the difference between the signals of channel A and B will be displayed.
- An electronic switch which either blocks or passes the signal, depending on the position of the multivibrator.
- Channel B has been provided with a signal polarity inverter, operated with switch "B/OFF/-B".
- A driver stage for the electronic switches, consisting of a bistable multivibrator and a blocking oscillator. In position "CHOPP" of switch "CHOPP/ALT" the blocking oscillator works at a fixed frequency and the electronic switches are successively opened and closed so that successively part of the signal of channel A and part of the signal of channel B are displayed. In position "ALT" the blocking oscillator is not oscillating and is driven by the flyback signals from the main time-base generator, so that alternately the complete signals of channel A and channel B are displayed. In position "OFF" of switch "A/OFF/A-B" the signal of channel A is blocked by the electronic switch. In position "OFF" of switch "B/OFF/-B" the signal of channel B is blocked. When switch "X DEFL" is in position "EXT via Y_B", the signal of channel B is applied to the horizontal output amplifier via the electronic switch and a gate circuit.

- After the electronic switches, the circuits are common to both vertical channels. These circuits are:
- An amplifier stage which contains two switches:
 - the "GAIN" switch by means of which the deflection sensitivity of both channels can be increased by a factor 10;
 - the "BEAMFINDER" switch by means of which the deflection sensitivity can be reduced to such an extent that the signal is always displayed within the screen.
- A delay-line driver stage.
- A delay-line that delays the vertical signals to such an extent that the steep leading edges of fast signals are still displayed.
- An output amplifier which feeds the signals to the vertical deflection plates.

C. TIME-BASES

- The main and delayed time-bases contain the following circuits:
- A common trigger pick-off stage that amplifies the signals coming from the vertical channels A and B, and deliver them to the trigger units. In position "A-B" of switch "A/OFF/A-B", it supplies the signal A-B instead of signal A.
 - An "Y_A/Y_B/EXT" switch by means of which the trigger signal source can be selected.
 - A "LF/HF/DC" switch by means of which two working modes of the delayed time-base generator can be selected, viz:
 - position "STARTS": The delayed time-base generator starts immediately after the delay time.
 - position "TRIGG": The delayed time-base is triggered — after the delay time — by the pulses coming from its trigger unit.
 - When the "X DEFL" switch is in the position "MAIN TB", that part of the trace coinciding with the delayed sweep is intensified, except in the "OFF" position of the delayed "TIME/div" switch.

D. HORIZONTAL AMPLIFIER

This amplifier serves for amplifying one of the internal sawtooth voltages or the signal of vertical channel B (depending on the position of the switch "X DEFL"), before this is applied to the horizontal deflection plates.

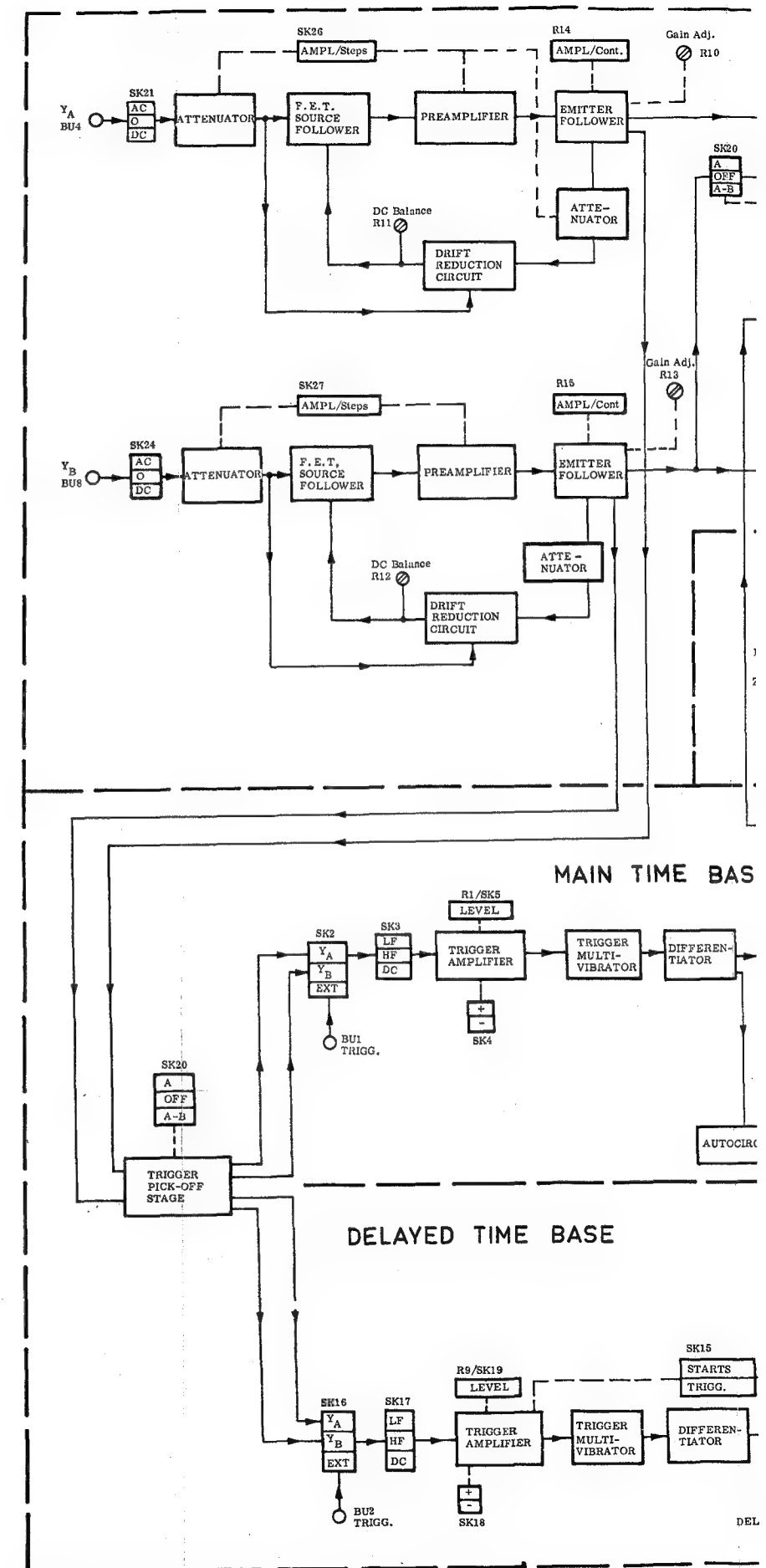
This circuit contains also:

- A "X POSITION" control by means of which the trace can be shifted in horizontal direction (not operating in position "EXTERN via Y_B")
- A "X MAGN" control by means of which the horizontal amplification can be increased by a factor 5 (not operating in position "EXTERN via Y_B")
- A "BEAMFINDER" switch by means of which the deflection sensitivity can be reduced to such an extent that the signal is always displayed within the screen.

E. OTHER UNITS

The PM 3250 contains also the following units:

- An unblanking circuit with a DC and an AC input.
- A cathode-ray tube circuit with an "INTENSITY" and a "FOCUS" control.
- A stabilised power supply which delivers the supply voltages both for the circuits and for the cathode-ray tube.
- A calibration unit.



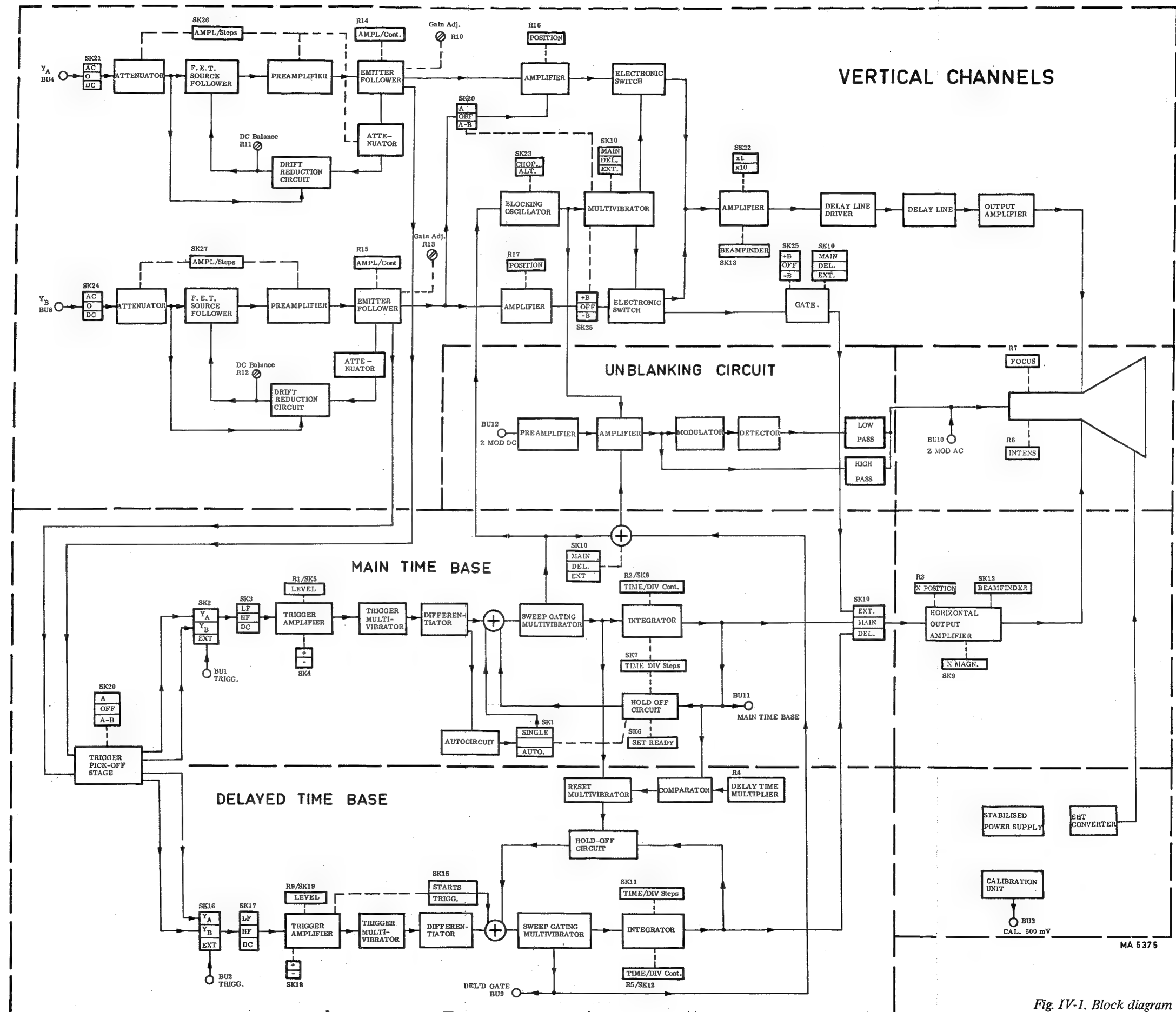


Fig IV-1. Block diagram

V. Installation

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

A. MAINS ADJUSTMENT AND FUSES

Before connecting the oscilloscope to the supply, set its voltage adaptor to suit the local mains voltage. The voltage adaptor, which is located on the rear panel of the oscilloscope, provides means by which nominal mains voltages of 110 V, 125 V, 145 V (SPEC), 200 V, and 240 V may be selected. The voltage to which the adaptor has been set is shown through a hole in the cover plate.

The fuse holder which is mounted on the rear panel normally carries a 1 A fuse, but a 2 A fuse should be fitted if the oscilloscope is to be connected to a mains voltage of less than 200 V.

Check that the fuse is of the specified type and current rating before connecting the oscilloscope to the mains. The use of repaired fuses and the short-circuiting of fuse holders is prohibited.

B. EARTHING

In the interests of safety, the oscilloscope must be connected to earth via either the front or rear earthing terminal (identified by the symbol \perp) or via the mains lead, provided that the supply socket is equipped with an earth connection. Care must be taken that the earth line to the oscilloscope is not interrupted due to the use of an extension lead or device which is not fitted with an earth conductor. Double earthing must be avoided because this gives rise to hum.

C. SWITCHING ON

Ensure that the oscilloscope is set to the nominal value of the mains supply before it is switched on. The POWER ON switch is located, together with an associated indicator lamp, on the front panel immediately beneath the screen bezel.

The oscilloscope must never be switched on whilst any circuit board has been removed.

Never remove a printed wiring board until at least one minute after the oscilloscope has been switched off.

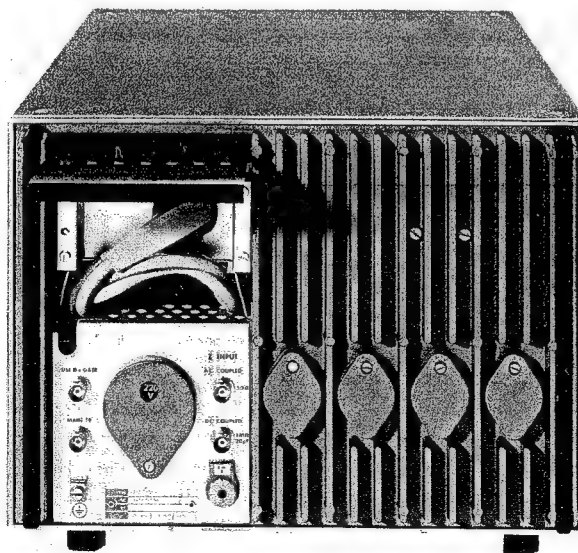


Fig. V-1. Rear view

VI. Knobs, sockets and their functions

MAIN TIME-BASE

AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE

Mode switch with three positions:

AUTO : the main time-base is free running in absence of trigger signals

TRIGG : the time-base is normally triggered.

SINGLE : the time-base runs only once.

Y_A/Y_B/EXT

Choice of the trigger source:

Y_A : Triggering on the signal fed to channel A or on the differential signal in position A-B of switch A/OFF/A-B.

Y_B : Triggering on the signal fed to channel B.

EXT : Triggering on a signal connected to socket TRIGG.

LF/HF/DC

Choice of the trigger coupling:

LF: via a band-pass filter for frequencies between 3 Hz and 1 MHz

HF: via a high-pass filter for frequencies higher than 2 kHz

DC: triggering signals are direct-coupled.

+/-

Choice of triggering on the positive- or negative-going edge of the triggering signal.

LEVEL

Adjusting the triggering level.

PULL FOR x5

The level range can be increased 5x by means of this pull-push switch.

SET READY

If switch AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE is in the SINGLE position, the time-base runs once after pressing the SET READY button upon receipt of a trigger pulse.

TIME/div. OR DELAY TIME

Control in steps of the time coefficient of the main time-base.

TIME/div. - CAL (red)

Continuous control of the time coefficient of the main time-base.

In the position CAL, the time coefficient is calibrated.

TRIGG

1 M Ω //20 pF

BNC input socket for external triggering.

HORIZONTAL AMPLIFIER

X POSITION

Horizontal positioning of the display, except in pos. EXTERN via Y_B of switch X DEFL.

X MAGN

PULL FOR x5 (red)

5x increase of the horizontal deflection coefficients by means of a pull-push switch.

MAGN. ON

Pilot lamp which lights up when the X MAGN switch is in the x5 position.

X DEFL

Selector switch with three positions:

MAIN TB : The horizontal deflection voltage is supplied by the main time-base. A part of the trace is (except in position OFF of the delayed TIME/div. switch) intensified.

DEL'D TB : The horizontal deflection voltage is supplied by the delayed time-base.

EXTERN via Y_B : The horizontal deflection voltage is supplied by an external source via the vertical B channel.

DELAYED TIME-BASE**DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER**

Control of the delay time in combination with the TIME/div. controls of the main time-base.

AFTER DELAY TIME

Choice of the start point of the delayed time-base after the delay time:

TRIGG : The delayed time-base is started, after the delay time, only when a trigger pulse is received.

STARTS: The delayed time-base is started immediately after the delay time.

Y_A/Y_B/EXT

Choice of the trigger source:

Y_A : Triggering on the signal fed to channel A or on the differential signal in position A-B of switch A/OFF/A-B.

Y_B : Triggering on the signal fed to channel B.

EXT : Triggering on signal connected to socket TRIGG.

LF/HF/DC

Choice of the trigger coupling:

LF : via a band-pass filter for frequencies between 3 Hz and 1 MHz.

HF : via a high-pass filter for frequencies higher than 2 kHz.

DC : triggering signals are coupled directly.

TIME/div.

Control in steps of the time coefficients of the delayed time-base.

In the position OFF the delayed time-base is switched off.

TIME/div. -CAL (red)

Continuous control of the time coefficients of the delayed time-base.

In the position CAL, the time coefficient is calibrated.

TRIGG

1 M Ω //20 pF

BNC input socket for external trigger voltage.

+/-

Choice of triggering on the positive- or negative-going edge of the trigger signal.

LEVEL

Adjustment of the trigger level.

PULL FOR x5

By means of this pull-push switch, the LEVEL range can be increased 5x.

VERTICAL CHANNELS

GAIN

Selector switch with two positions:

x1-x10

x1 : The vertical deflection coefficients have the values as indicated on the front panel.

x10: The vertical deflection coefficients indicated on the front panel are reduced by a factor of ten.

the bandwidth is limited to 5 MHz.

ALT/CHOPP

ALT : The display is switched over from one vertical channel to the other at the end of the main time-base signal.

CHOPP : The display is switched over from one vertical channel to the other at a fixed frequency.



Earth socket.

CHANNEL A

A/OFF/A-B

Selector switch with three positions:

- A : The signal connected to channel A is displayed on the screen.
- OFF : The signal connected to channel A is not displayed on the screen (but remains available for internal triggering).
- A-B : The difference between the signals connected to channel A and to channel B is displayed on the screen. (Differential position).

POSITION

Vertical positioning of the display.

GAIN ADJ.

Screwdriver adjustment of the gain of the pre-amplifier of channel A, see section VII-A.

AMPL.

Control in steps of the vertical deflection coefficients.

AMPL – CAL (red)

Continuous control of the vertical deflection coefficients.
In the position CAL, the deflection coefficients are calibrated.

DC BAL

Screwdriver adjustment of the direct voltage balance of the Y amplifier of channel A, see section VII-A.

AC-0-DC

Selector switch with three positions:

- AC : Connection between input socket and input circuit via a blocking capacitor.
- 0 : Connection between input socket and input circuit is interrupted, and the input circuit is earthed.
- DC : Direct connection between the input socket and the input circuit.

1 M Ω //20 pF

BNC input socket for channel A.

PROBE POWER

Power supply socket for active accessories.

CHANNEL B

B/OFF/-B

Selector switch with three positions:

- B : The signal connected to channel B is displayed on the screen.
- OFF : The signal connected to channel B is not displayed on the screen (but remains available for integral triggering).
- B : The signal connected to channel B is displayed inverted on the screen.

POSITION

Vertical positioning of the display.

GAIN ADJ.

Screwdriver adjustment of the gain of the pre-amplifier of channel B, see section VII-A.

AMPL.

Control in steps of the vertical deflection coefficients.

AMPL – CAL (red)

Continuous control of the vertical deflection coefficients. In the position CAL, the deflection coefficients are calibrated.

DC BAL

Screwdriver adjustment of the direct voltage balance of the Y amplifier of channel B, see section VII-A.

AC-0-DC

Selector switch with three positions:

- AC : Connection between input socket and input circuit via a blocking capacitor.
- 0 : Connection between input socket and input circuit is interrupted, and the input circuit is earthed.
- DC : Direct connection between the input socket and the input circuit.

1 M Ω //20 pF

BNC input socket for channel B.

PROBE POWER

Power supply socket for active accessories.

CATHODE RAY TUBE**INTENS**

Brightness control of the trace.

FOCUS

Focusing of the electron beam.

ILLUM

Continuous control of the graticule illumination.

BEAMFINDER

A push-button control for decreasing the deflection coefficients to such an extent that signal traces are entirely visible on the screen.

CALIBRATION**CAL**

600 mV - 2 kHz

BNC output socket on which a square-wave voltage of 600 mV with a frequency of 2 kHz is available.

 $R_i = 100 \Omega$

The output can be s/c to obtain a calibration current of 6 mA (PM 9040).

REAR SIDE OF THE INSTRUMENT**DEL.D. + GATE**

BNC output socket on which the delayed gate pulses of +2 V are available.

MAIN TIME-BASE

BNC output socket on which the sawtooth voltage (0 to 8 Volt) of the main time-base is available.



Earth socket.

Z INPUT**D.C. COUPLED**
(1 M Ω //20 pF)

d.c. input for modulating the trace brightness.

A.C. COUPLED
(50 Ω)

a.c. input for modulating the trace brightness.

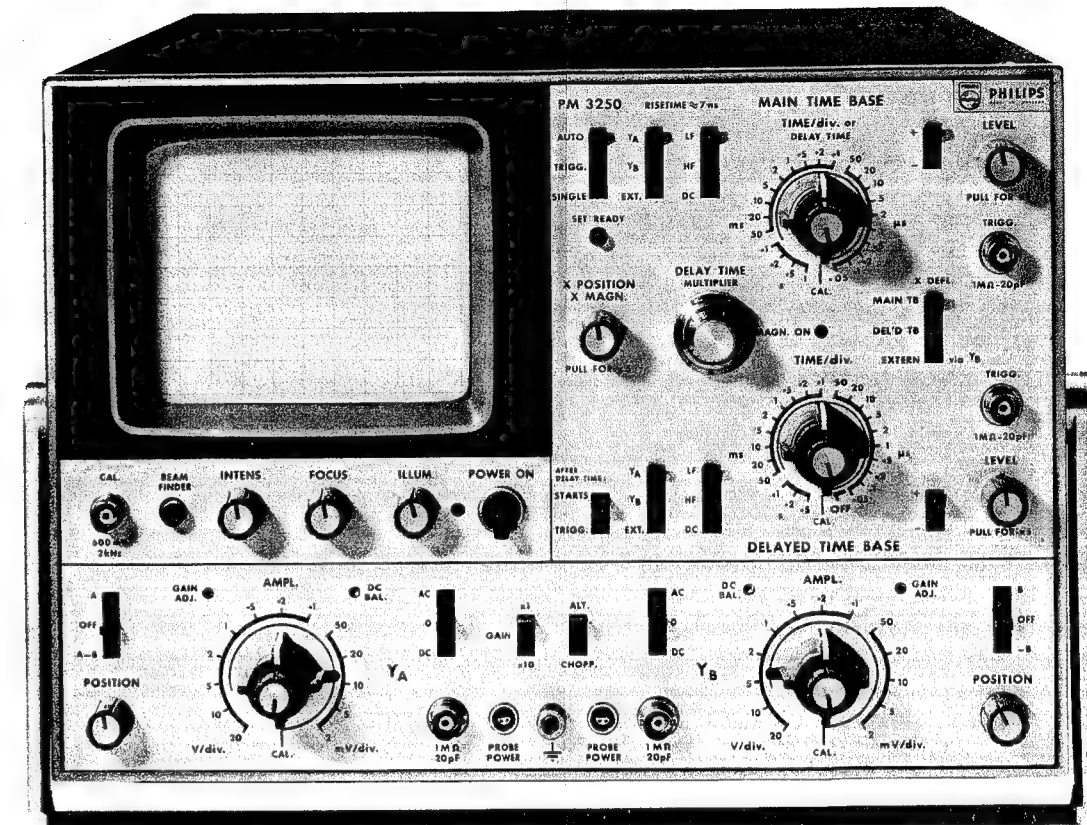


Fig. VI-1. Front panel controls

VII. Operation

A. PRELIMINARY SETTINGS

As the following settings are identical for both channels, only the procedure for channel A has been indicated.

1. Adjusting the DC balance

- Set switch A/OFF/A-B to position A.
- Set switch AC/0/DC to position 0.
- Set switch AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE to position AUTO.
- Set GAIN switch to position x1.
- Set GAIN switch to position x1.
- Set AMPL switch to position 2 mV/div.
- Centre the trace by means of POSITION potentiometer.
- Rotate continuous control AMPL to and from between maximum and minimum positions. At the same time adjust the DC BAL control until changes in the AMPL continuous control setting no longer cause the trace to be displaced.
- Set switch GAIN to position x10 and readjust, if necessary.

2. Adjusting the gain

- Set switch AC/0/DC to position DC.
 - Set switch GAIN to x1 position.
 - Connect the CAL socket to the Y_A input socket.
 - Set switch AMPL to position 0.1 V/div. and the continuous control to position CAL.
 - Check that the trace height is exactly 6 divisions.
- If necessary, adjust with potentiometer GAIN ADJ.

B. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. AC/0/DC switch

The signals under observation are fed to the input sockets Y_A and/or Y_B , and switch AC/0/DC is set to either AC or DC depending upon the composition of the signal.

As the Y amplifier is d.c.-coupled, the full bandwidth of the instrument is available and d.c. components are displayed as trace shifts in the DC position of the AC/0/DC switch. This may be inconvenient when signals superimposed on high d.c. voltages have to be displayed. Any attenuation will result in attenuation of the a.c. signals.

The remedy is to use the AC position of the switch, which employs a blocking capacitor, to suppress the d.c. and low frequency signals (0 Hz to 3 Hz, -3 dB; with 10:1 probe, 0 Hz to 0.3 Hz). Some pulse droop will occur when low frequency, square-waves are displayed.

The 0 position interrupts the signal and earths the amplifier input for quickly determining the 0 V level.

2. A/OFF/A-B switch

When the switch is in position A, the signals applied to channel A are displayed in such a way that positive-going input signals cause an upward deflection on the screen.

In the OFF position the electronic switch of channel A is blocked, so that no input signal is fed to the output amplifier. It is, however, possible to use channel A for trigger purposes.

The intermediate amplifier of channel A is made differential. In position A of the A/OFF/A-B switch, one input is earthed. In position A-B, the differential mode, this earth is removed and the input signal of the channel B intermediate amplifier applied to this input.

Thus the difference of the signals of channels A and B will be displayed.

At the same time the signal of channel B, normal or inverted depending on the position of the B/OFF/-B switch, can be displayed. The position of this switch does not affect the signal which is applied to the differential amplifier, as this signal is taken off before.

For triggering in the differential mode, refer to the relevant section B.6.c.

3. B/OFF/-B switch

When this switch occupies position B, the signals applied to channel B are displayed in such way that positive-going input signals produce an upward deflection on the screen.

In the OFF position, the electronic switch of channel B is blocked, so that no input signal is fed to the output amplifier. It is, however, possible to use channel B for trigger purposes.

In position -B, the signals applied to channel B are displayed in such way that positive-going input signals produce a downward deflection on the screen.

4. ALT/CHOPP switch

In the ALT position, the display is switched over from one channel to the other at the end of the linear part of the sawtooth of the main time-base.

In position CHOPP, the display is switched over from one channel to the other with a fixed frequency.

5. GAIN switch

In position $\times 10$ of this switch, the sensitivity of both vertical channels is increased by a factor 10.

The bandwidth in this position is limited to 5 MHz.

An important advantage in this position is also that the positioning range of the POSITION potentiometers is increased from 24 divisions to 160 divisions*, as the GAIN switch is incorporated in the circuit after the position controls.

Example:

A deflection factor of 20 mV/div. can be obtained by setting the AMPL switch to position 20 mV/div., or by setting the AMPL switch to position .2 V/div. and the GAIN switch to position $\times 10$.

In the former case the positioning range is 24 divisions and in the latter case 160 divisions, however with reduced bandwidth. Where very small signals, superimposed on large signals are to be examined, the second possibility is very useful as long as the limited bandwidth is not unacceptable.

6. Triggering

a. General

If a signal must be displayed, the horizontal deflection must always be started on one fixed point of the signal in order to obtain a stationary picture. The time-base is, therefore, started by narrow trigger pulses formed in the trigger unit, controlled by a signal originating from one of the vertical input signals or an external source.

b. Trigger Coupling

Three different trigger coupling methods can be chosen with switch LF/HF/DC. The LF and HF positions limit the transfer characteristic.

In position LF, a 3 Hz to 1 MHz band-pass filter is inserted. This position can be used to reduce interference from noise.

In position HF, a 2 kHz high-pass filter is inserted. This position can be used to reduce interference from, e.g. hum.

In position DC, finally, the trigger signal is passed unchanged.

* 8 divisions of the graticule and each 8 divisions "above" and "below" the graticule. In position $\times 10$ one obtains 10x8 divisions "above" as well as "below" the graticule.

c. Selecting the trigger source and setting the trigger level

The trigger signal is obtained from channel A (position Y_A), channel B (position Y_B), or from an external source (position EXT), depending on the position of switch $Y_A/Y_B/EXT$. In the differential position of the vertical amplifier, the trigger signal received from channel A is the difference signal, not affected by the AMPL. continuous control.

The trigger pulse shaper is a dual-controlled multivibrator switched by the output signals of a difference amplifier.

The trigger signal is fed to one input of the difference amplifier; and a direct voltage adjustable with the LEVEL potentiometer is fed to the other input. Depending on this LEVEL setting, the selected part of the trigger signal will be amplified by means of the difference amplifier; and the multivibrator is thus switched at a fixed point of the trigger signal (see Fig. VII-1). This means that, with the aid of the LEVEL control, it is possible to scan the shape of the trigger signal (in case of internal triggering, equal to the shape of the signal to be displayed), and thus to choose the point where the multivibrator will be switched.

The LEVEL potentiometer is fitted with a pull-push switch which allows a 5-fold range increase to be used for large trigger signals.

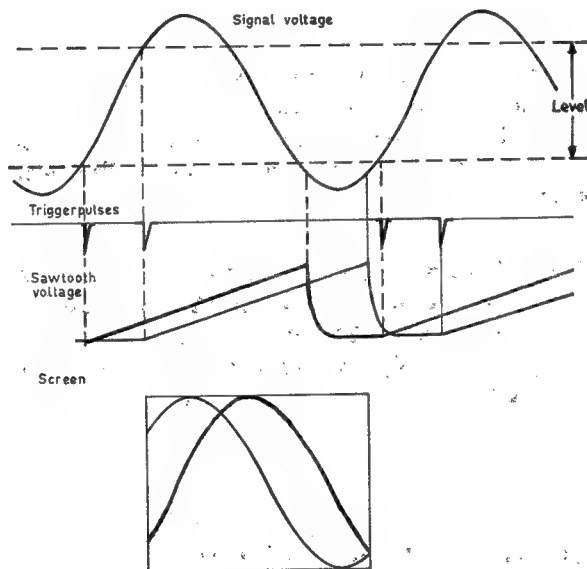


Fig. VII-1. Scanning the waveform to be studied by means of the LEVEL potentiometer

d. Trigger polarity

With the aid of trigger polarity switch $+/-$, triggering is possible, chosen on the positive-going or negative-going edge of the trigger signal.

e. Automatic triggering

When the switch AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE is in the position AUTO, and if there are no trigger pulses available, the time-base generator is automatically free-running. The trace is, therefore, always visible. This position can be used in all cases where also TRIGG is usable except with reference frequencies lower than 2 Hz. As soon as trigger pulses are available, the free-running state of the time-base is automatically terminated and the time-base is triggered again, as described in points b, c, d. In the positions TRIGG and SINGLE, the auto-circuit is switched off. The LEVEL setting can also be used in position AUTO of switch AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE.

7. Position SINGLE and use of the SET READY push-button

When effects which occur only once have to be observed (usually photographed), it is often desirable to ensure that only sawtooth is generated, even though several trigger pulses might be produced after the phenomenon of interest. Of course, the single sawtooth in question must be triggered by a trigger pulse. To this end the mode switch must be put into position SINGLE. When the SET READY button has been pressed, the first following trigger pulse that appears after this button has been released will start the time-base generator. The trace is only written once. The time-base is then blocked until the SET READY push-button is again operated.

The lamp in the SET READY push-button, will light up as soon as this button is released and will go out as soon as the sawtooth is terminated.

8. X MAGN switch

The X MAGN switch is a two-position pull-push type.

In position x5, the horizontal deflection is increased by a factor of 5, except when X DEFL switch is in EXTERN via YB position. Thus the portion of the signal displayed in the two central horizontal divisions in the x1 position, occupies the full width of the screen in the x5 position. Any portion of the trace can be brought on to the screen by the X POSITION control for scrutinisation.

In the x5 position, the sweep time of the sawtooth is determined by dividing the indicated TIME/div. value by 5.

9. Use of the delayed time-base

The delayed time-base can be used for accurate time measurements, (see Chapter VIII-C4) and for the accurate study of complex signals.

In the STARTS position of the AFTER DELAY TIME switch, immediately the delayed time-base is on i.e., (TIME/div. switch is not at OFF), a portion of the displayed signal is intensified in the MAIN TB position of the X DEFL switch. The DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER enables this intensified portion to be shifted along the time axis. The duration of the intensified portion, its length, can be controlled in steps and also continuously, by the TIME/div. controls of the delayed time-base. When the X DEFL switch is in the DEL'D TB position, the intensified portion occupies the full width of the screen.

In the DEL'D TB position of the X DEFL switch, the product of the main TIME/div. switch setting and the setting of the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER determines the delay time; i.e., the interval between the starting point of the main time-base and the starting point of the delayed time-base.

In the TRIGG position of the AFTER DELAY TIME switch, the delayed time-base is started by the first trigger pulse that occurs after the selected delay time.

This trigger pulse is supplied by the trigger unit of the delayed time-base. This position is used when time jitter would otherwise give a blurred image of the detail under observation. This time jitter could be part of the signal being investigated or, at extreme magnifications, initiated by the time-base circuits.

10. External X deflection

If switch X DEFL is in the EXTERN via YB position, both time-bases will be switched off. The signal of channel B is horizontally displayed, over a bandwidth of 5 MHz.

Except for the GAIN switch, all controls of channel B remain operative.

The X POSITION and X MAGN controls are switched off; for positioning the trace the POSITION control of the B channel is employed.

11. Brightness modulation

To obtain extra information on a display without changing its waveform, the brightness can be modulated by an external voltage.

The external voltage must be fed to one of the Z MOD sockets at the rear of the instrument. The amplitude required to achieve visible brightness modulation depends on the position of the INTENS potentiometer. With normal picture brightness, a 5 V_{p-p} amplitude is able to obtain good visible brightness modulation.

Two input sockets are available, a high impedance DC COUPLED socket and a low impedance AC COUPLED socket.

VIII. Applications

A. INTRODUCTION

The following information describes the basic measuring techniques for use with the PM 3250 oscilloscope. Before connecting an input to the oscilloscope, locate the beam as follows:

- Connect the apparatus to the mains and switch on
 - Set all switches to their upper positions and all potentiometers to their mid positions
 - Use the BEAMFINDER push-button in conjunction with the POSITION controls to display the beam
- Optimum graticule and waveform display conditions can then be set using the INTENS, FOCUS, and ILLUM controls. Maximum accuracy is obtained by setting up a waveform which is as large as possible. Whenever a reading is taken from an AMPL or TIME/div. control, it is important that the associated potentiometer is in its CAL position, otherwise the switch setting will not have the exact value shown on the calibrated scale.

When the GAIN switch is set to $\times 10$, the bandwidth of the oscilloscope is limited to 5 MHz and sensitivity is increased by a factor of 10. Maximum sensitivity is $200 \mu\text{V}/\text{div}$.

Operation of an 03E/04 oscilloscope with its INTENS control set to the maximum position will involve an increase in the specified horizontal and vertical gain tolerances of up to +2 %.

B. VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS

1. Peak-to-peak measurements

- Connect the signal to the Y_A input socket
- Set the GAIN switch to $\times 1$
- Set the AC/0/DC switch of channel A to AC (or to DC if the signal under examination has a frequency of less than 10 Hz)
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B switch to OFF
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Set the $Y_A/Y_B/\text{EXT}$ switch to Y_A
- Set the HF/LF/DC switch to the appropriate position, depending upon the frequency of the signal
- Set the X DEFL switch to MAIN TB
- Set the AMPL potentiometer to its CAL position. Do not disturb this setting until the measurement procedure has been completed
- Use the POSITION control of channel A to shift the trace until it is written symmetrically about the horizontal centre-line of the graticule
- If necessary, use the X POSITION control to centre the signal
- Obtain the largest possible display using the AMPL switch of channel A
- With the TIME/div. switch of the delayed time-base set to OFF, set the TIME/div. switch of the main-time base to a position at which several cycles of the signals can be seen. If necessary, adjust the main time-base LEVEL control in order to obtain a stable trace
- Using the POSITION control of channel A, align the upper peaks of the waveform with the nearest horizontal graticule line, as shown in Fig. VIII-1.
- Align one of the lower peaks with the vertical centre-line of the graticule.
- Measure the height of the waveform using the graduations of vertical graticule line
- Multiply the distance obtained by the deflection coefficient at which the AMPL control is set, and by the attenuation factor of the probe (if any) in order to obtain the peak-to-peak value of the waveform.

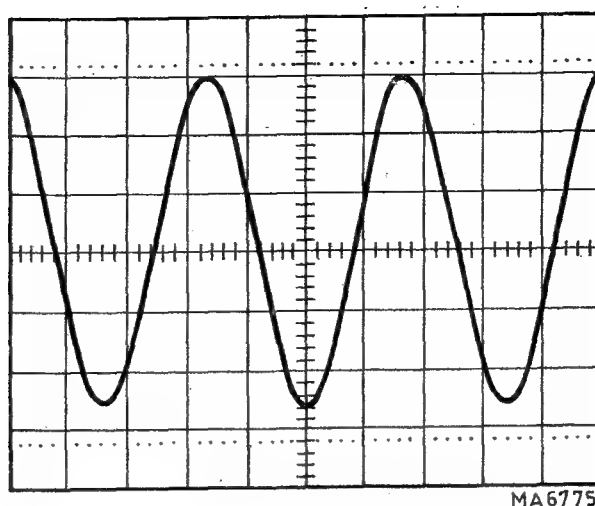


Fig. VIII-1. Peak-to-peak voltage measurement, with one lower peak aligned with the vertical centre-line and the upper peaks aligned with a horizontal graticule line

2. R.M.S. voltage measurements

The r.m.s. value of a sinusoidal waveform may be found as follows:

- Determine the peak-to-peak value of the waveform using the method described in the above paragraph
- Calculate the r.m.s. value by inserting the peak-to-peak value in the formula quoted below:

$$V_{r.m.s.} = \frac{V_{p-p}}{2\sqrt{2}} \approx 0.35 V_{p-p}$$

3. Instantaneous voltage measurements

The following procedure can be used to measure instantaneous voltage:

- Connect the signal to the Y_A input socket
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A and the B/OFF/-B to OFF
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Set the $Y_A/Y_B/EXT$ switch to Y_A
- Set the LF/HF/DC switch to the appropriate position, depending upon the frequency of the input signal
- Use the POSITION control of channel A to display the signal about the horizontal centre-line
- If necessary, place the signal by means of the X POSITION control
- Turn the AMPL potentiometer of channel A to its CAL position.
Do not disturb this setting until the measuring procedure has been completed
- Set the AMPL switch of channel A to the position at which the largest possible display is obtained
- Set the AC/0/DC switches of both channels to '0'. The trace becomes linear
- Using the Y_A POSITION control, align the trace with a suitable horizontal graticule line. This horizontal graticule line will become the reference level, so that it should be located in a position to suit the waveform which is displayed when the AC/0/DC switch of channel A is set to DC.
- Set the B/OFF/-B switch to B in order to display a second horizontal trace which may be used to illuminate the graticule chosen as the reference level
- Use the Y_B channel POSITION control to align the two horizontal traces. Note that it is important to use the Y_B POSITION control for alignment of the two traces

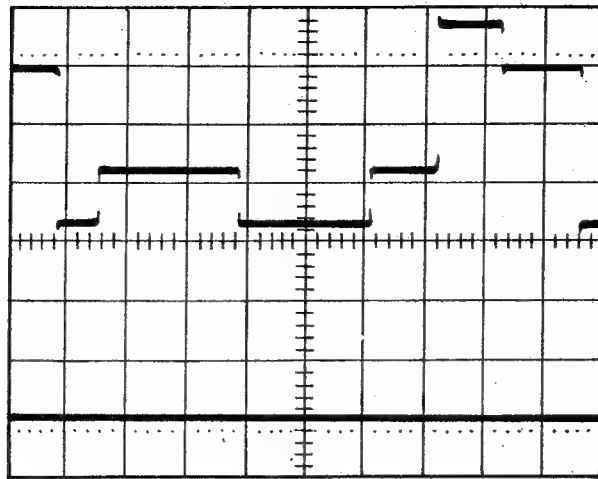


Fig. VIII-2. Instantaneous voltage measurement using the line written by channel Y_B as a reference marker

- Set the AC/0/DC switch of channel A to DC. The waveform will now be displayed, together with the horizontal line which marks the reference level. It is extremely important not to disturb the POSITION switches of the two channels, otherwise the true reference level may be lost.
- Adjust the main time-base LEVEL control in order to obtain a stable display
- With the TIME/div. switch of the delayed time-base set to OFF, set the main time-base TIME/div. switch to a position which provides a suitable display
- Use the X POSITION control to align the instantaneous voltage point which has to be measured, with the vertical centre-line of the graticule, as shown in Fig. VIII-2.
- Record the number of divisions that separate the instantaneous voltage point from the reference line
- Prior to the conclusion of the measurement it is advisable to check the accuracy of the reference level by setting the AC/0/DC switch of channel A to 0. If the reference level is correct, the two horizontal traces should merge so that they appear to be one line on the display. If this is not the case, repeat the whole measurement procedure

The value of the instantaneous voltage may be calculated by multiplying the vertical distance between the instantaneous voltage point and the reference level, by the deflection coefficient to which the AMPL switch has been set, and by the attenuation factor of the probe (if used). If the instantaneous voltage point appears above the reference line, it is positive: negative potentials are displayed below the reference line

If an instantaneous voltage is to be measured with respect to a second (reference) voltage, proceed as follows:

- Connect and set up the signal as described in the first nine steps of the above procedure
- Temporarily disconnect the signal from the Y_A input socket and connect the reference signal
- Align the reference level with a suitable horizontal graticule line
- Set the B/OFF/-B switch to B in order to display a horizontal trace which may be used to mark the reference level. Use the Y_B channel POSITION control to align the two traces.
- Disconnect the reference signal. Note that, since the reference signal has been disconnected, there is no easy means by which the reference level displayed by channel B can be checked. It is, therefore, most important that the POSITION controls of both channels are not disturbed until the measurement procedure has been completed

- Reconnect the signal to the Y_A input socket
- Calculate the voltage value by multiplying the vertical distance between the instantaneous voltage point and the reference level by the deflection coefficient to which the AMPL switch is set, and by the attenuation factor of the probe (if used)

C. TIME AND FREQUENCY MEASUREMENTS

1. Introduction

The following section describes those techniques employed to evaluate time differences between signals, and to establish the frequency of a displayed waveform. Two waveforms can only be displayed in a manner suitable for time difference measurements provided that they are either of the same frequency, or if the frequency of one waveform is a multiple of the other.

In order to determine the expected accuracy of a time or frequency measurement, the following sources of possible error should be considered:

- a. Main and delayed time-bases. With the TIME/div. potentiometer set to CAL, the time-base may cause a possible error of $\pm 3\%$ in any reading taken over the middle eight horizontal divisions of the horizontal graticule. If the selected deflection coefficient is either 1 s/div., 0.5 s/div., or 0.2 s/div., then the maximum time-base error is increased to $\pm 5\%$.
- b. The 'PULL FOR x5' MAGN switch. Use of this switch adds a further $\pm 2\%$ to the possible error quoted in sub para. (a)
- c. Read-off error. The maximum absolute read-off error is considered to be 0.05 divisions per read-off (i.e. readings taken between two points on the graticule may involve a total possible read-off error of $2 \times 0.05 = 0.1$ divisions). When expressed as a percentage, the read-off error is inversely proportional to the number of divisions over which the reading has been taken.
- d. DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control. When a number of vernier digits has been counted from this control, a total absolute read-off error of 0.010 digits (0.005 digits per read-off) is possible. This error is made inversely proportional to the number of digits counted, when expressed as a percentage.
- d. DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER non-linearity. Non-linearity of this control amounts to $\pm 0.1\%$.

2. Time measurements using the main time-base

The following procedure can be used to determine the time difference between two points on a waveform:

- Connect the signal to be examined to the Y_A input socket
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B to OFF
- Set the GAIN switch to x1
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Set the $Y_A/Y_B/EXT$ switch to Y_A
- Set the HF/LF/DC switch to the appropriate position, depending upon the frequency of the input signal
- Set the X DEFL switch to MAIN TB
- Set the AMPL switch in order to obtain as large a signal as possible.
Adjust the main time-base triggering controls in order to obtain a stable display
- Set the main time-base TIME/div. potentiometer to its CAL position
- Set the main time-base TIME/div. switch to a position which provides the greatest possible horizontal distance between the measuring points.
In the interests of accuracy, it is advisable not to use the first and last divisions of the graticule
- Using the X POSITION control, align one of the measuring points with the nearest vertical graticule line

- Use the Y_A channel POSITION control to align the other measuring point with the horizontal centre-line of the graticule shown in Fig. VIII-3.
- Check that the first measuring point has not strayed during the Y_A position control operation
- Measure the horizontal distance ($\leftarrow t \rightarrow$) between the two measuring points
- Calculate the time period by multiplying the horizontal distance between the two measuring points, by the deflection coefficient to which the main time-base TIME/div. switch is set. Divide the product by five only if the MAGN switch has been operated.

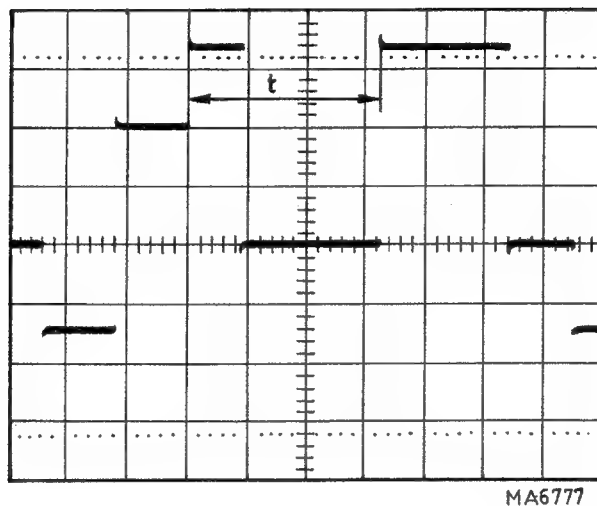


Fig. VIII-3. Main time-base time measurement with one measuring point aligned with a vertical graticule and the other measuring point aligned with the horizontal centre-line

3. Time difference measurements between two separate pulses using the main time-base

The time difference between two separately displayed pulses may be evaluated with the aid of the PM 3250 oscilloscope. It should be noted, however, that the oscilloscope can only present a stable display of two separate waveforms if the frequency of one waveform is a multiple of the other.

Waveforms having the same frequency may also be displayed simultaneously. The method used to measure the time difference between the respective edges of two separately display pulses is as follows:

- Connect the two signals to the Y_A and Y_B input sockets using probes or coaxial leads with identical time delay properties
- Set the AC/0/DC switches to the position which are best suited to the input signals
- Set the CHOPP/ALT switch to CHOPP for low frequencies, or to ALT for high frequencies
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B switch to B. If the signals show opposite polarity, the necessary inversion can be made by transferring the B/OFF/-B switch to the -B position
- Set the $Y_A/Y_B/EXT$ to the channel (Y_A or Y_B) which carries the signal which leads in time
- Adjust the main time-base triggering controls for a stable display
- Set the TIME/div. potentiometer of the main time-base to its CAL position, before setting the associated TIME/div. switch to the setting which provides the greatest horizontal distance between the measuring points
- Use the POSITION controls of the two channels to position the two traces symmetrically about the centre-line of the graticule
- Using the X POSITION control, shift the display until one of the measuring points passes through a junction formed by a vertical graticule line and the horizontal centre-line shown in Fig. VIII-4.
- Measure the horizontal distance ($\leftarrow t \rightarrow$) between the two measuring points by means of the graduated horizontal centre-line

- Multiply the measured horizontal distance by the deflection coefficient to which the main time-base TIME/div. switch is set.
- Divide this product by five only if the MAGN switch has been operated.

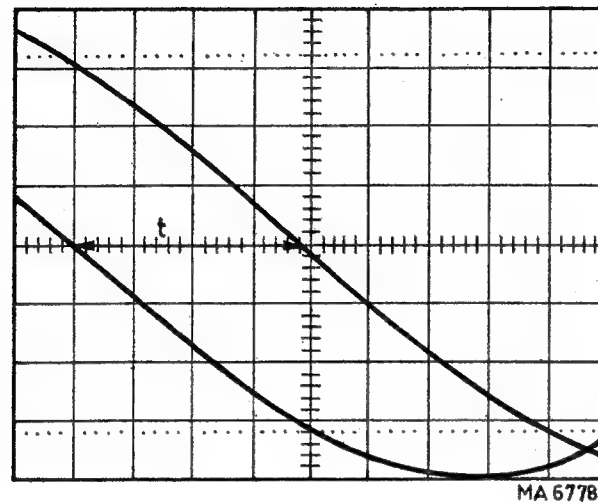


Fig. VIII-4. Separately displayed signals shifted so that one time difference measuring point passes through the junction formed by a vertical graticule line and the horizontal centre-line

4. Time measurements using the delayed time-base

a. General information

With the X DEFL switch set to MAIN TB, the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER can be used in conjunction with the delayed time-base TIME/div. switch, to intensify a given portion of the displayed waveform. An enlarged presentation of this intensified portion is obtained when the X DEFL switch is set to DEL'D TB. This facility is particularly useful for making accurate pulse width measurements. The width of one or more displayed pulses may be accurately evaluated by recording the number of calibrated DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER divisions required to shift the pulse or pulses across a reference graticule. The recorded number of divisions, when multiplied by the main time-base TIME/div. switch setting, provides the pulse width time. This method enables use of the delayed time-base TIME/div. potentiometer so that an exact portion of the waveform can be chosen for enlarged display. Assume that it is required to calculate the width between points P₁ and P₂ shown in Fig. VIII-5. The intensified portion is shown in Fig. VIII-6, and the enlarged display, obtained when the X DEFL switch is set to DEL'D TB, is shown in Fig. VIII-7. Firstly, point P₁ is aligned with the vertical centre-line of the graticule (Fig. VIII-8). The DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER is then used to shift the waveform across the screen until point P₂ is aligned with the vertical centre-line of the graticule (Fig. VIII-9). The recorded number of DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER divisions, when multiplied by the main time-base TIME/div. switch setting, provides the pulse width time. An alternative method involves counting the number of graticule divisions which separate the two measuring points. The delayed time-base TIME/div. switch setting can then be used to evaluate the pulse width. When this method is used, it is imperative that the delayed time-base TIME/div. potentiometer is set to its CAL position throughout the procedure, otherwise the deflection coefficient setting will not be accurate.

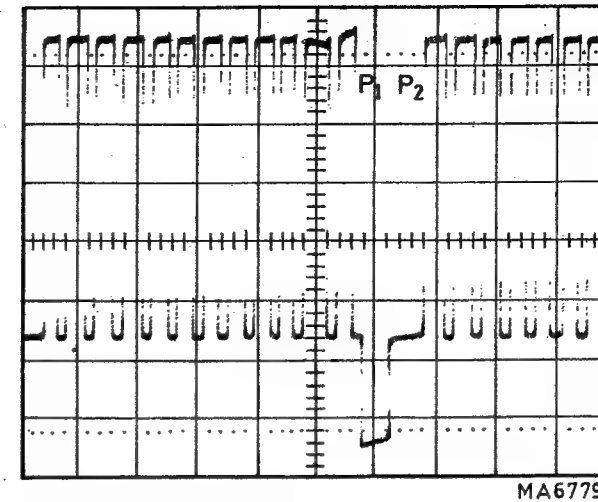


Fig. VIII-5. Basic waveform

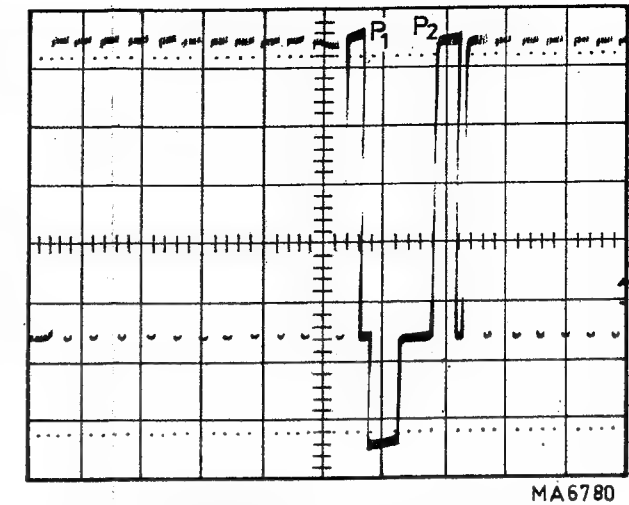


Fig. VIII-6. Intensified portion of basic waveform

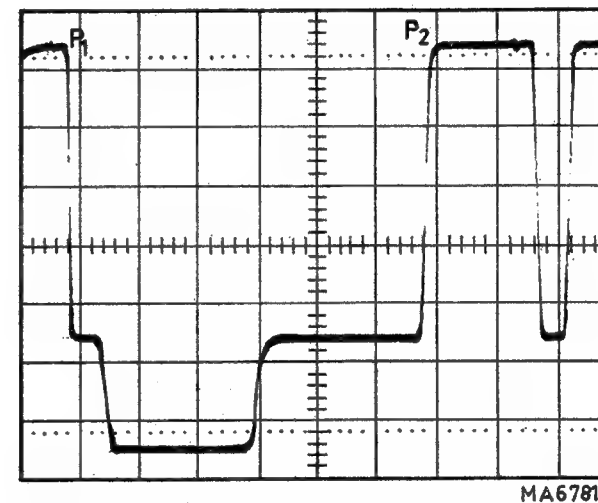


Fig. VIII-7. Enlarged display of the intensified portion obtained by setting the X DEFL switch to DEL'D TB

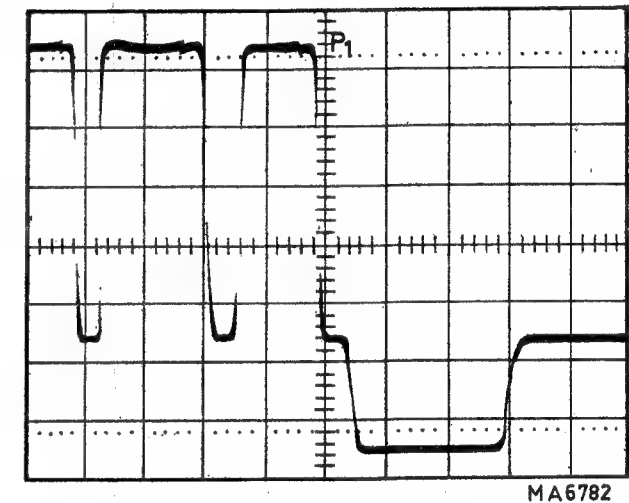


Fig. VIII-8. Point P₁ aligned with the vertical centre-line of the graticule (DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control reads 5.17)

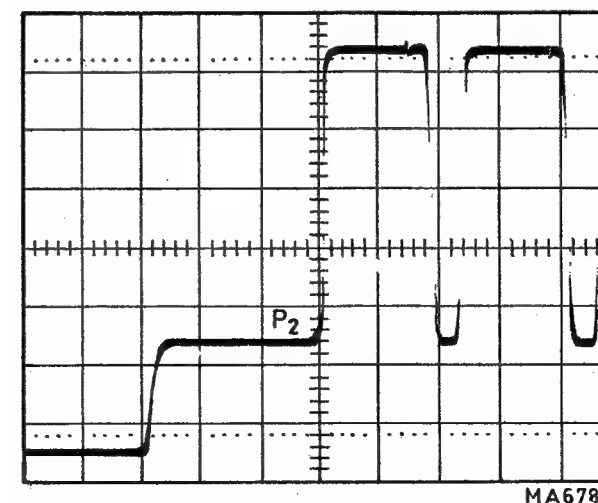


Fig. VIII-9. Waveform shifted across the screen until point P₂ is aligned with the vertical centre-line of the graticule (DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control reads 6.32)

b. Using the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER

To measure a pulse width using the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER, proceed as follows:

- Connect the signal to the Y_A input socket
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B switch to OFF
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Position the display symmetrically about the centre-line of the graticule
- Set the AMPL switch of channel A to the position which provides the maximum possible display within the viewing area
- Set the main time-base TIME/div. potentiometer to its CAL position
- Adjust the triggering controls to obtain a stable display
- Set the AFTER DELAY TIME switch to the STARTS position
- Using the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control in conjunction with the delayed time-base TIME/div. switch and potentiometer, intensify the portion of the waveform which is to be examined
- Transfer the X DEFL switch from the MAIN TB to the DEL'D TB position. An enlarged display of the intensified portion of the waveform will be presented
- Use the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control to align the left hand measuring point with the vertical centre-line of the graticule.
- Note the reading of the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control
- Rotate the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER control until the right hand measuring point is aligned with the vertical centre-line. Note the new reading
- Subtract the smaller DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER reading from the larger.
- Multiply the resulting difference by the main time-base TIME/div. switch setting, in order to obtain the pulse width time. The answer must be divided by five only if the MAGN switch has been used.

c. Using the graticule

To measure the pulse width by means of the graticule (instead of using the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER) proceed as follows:

- Set up the signal in accordance with the first ten steps of the above procedure, but keep the TIME/div. potentiometers of both the main and delayed time-bases in their CAL positions
- Use the X POSITION control to shift the left hand measuring point so that it is aligned with a convenient point on the horizontal centre-line of the graticule
- Count the number of horizontal divisions which separate the two measuring points. Multiply the number of divisions by the deflection coefficient to which the delayed time-base TIME/div. switch is set. Multiply this answer by five only if the MAGN switch has been operated.

5. Rise time measurements

a. General information

The rise time of a pulse is defined as the period of time taken for the leading edge of the pulse to rise from 10 % to 90 % of its total amplitude, as shown in Fig. VIII-10.

Reference to the oscilloscope graticule will show two dotted lines, which are the 10 % to 90 % points of the vertical scale. If, therefore, a leading edge is displayed in such a way that its peak is aligned with the top most horizontal graticule line and its lower level aligned with the bottom horizontal graticule line, then the dotted lines indicate the 10 % and 90 % values of the edge. In many cases, it is required to measure a rise time which is of the same order as that of the oscilloscope. In such cases, subject to the conditions discussed below, the actual rise time of the pulse can be calculated with the aid of equations having the following general form:

$$T_{ra} = \sqrt{T_{rm}^2 - T_{ro}^2}$$

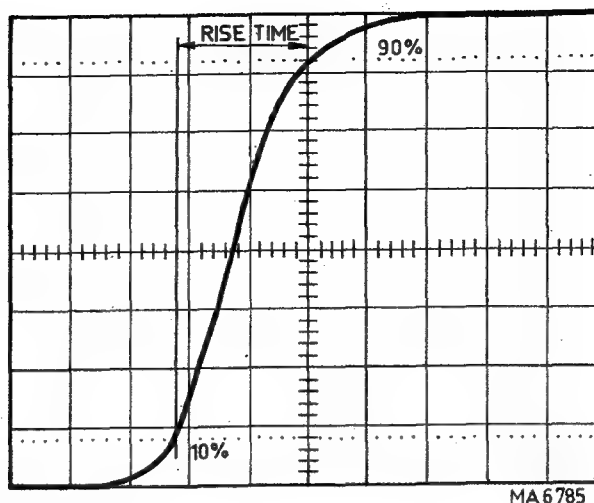


Fig. VIII-10. Definition of rise time

where T_{ra} is the actual rise time, T_{rm} the measured rise time, and T_{ro} the rise time of the oscilloscope (nominally 7 ns at x1 gain and 70 ns at x10 gain). Maximum rise time measurement accuracy will be obtained by observing the following conditions:

Rise time measurements made with the GAIN switch at x1

No correction formula need be applied if a rise time (measured with the aid of the dotted 10 % and 90 % reference lines) is greater than three times the nominal rise time of the instrument, i.e. 21 ns. This is due to the fact that the measured rise time is only expected to be 5 % greater than the actual rise time of the signal.

In those cases where the measured rise time is equal or greater than 10 ns, but is less than 21 ns, then the influence of the oscilloscope rise time is significant. The following formula must therefore be used in order to apply correction to the measured rise time:

$$T_{ra} = \sqrt{T_{rm}^2 - T_{ro}^2}$$

If an accurate result is required from a measured rise time of less than 10 ns, then the rise time of the oscilloscope must be measured.

This can be done by applying the following procedure:

- Set up a display which is suitable for making a rise time measurement, then temporarily disconnect the input signal
- Connect a fast pulse generator to the input socket, taking care not to disturb any settings of the oscilloscope

Note that the degree of accuracy obtained from this procedure is largely dependent upon the rise time of the fast pulse generator. The rise time of the fast pulse generator must, therefore, be extremely small when compared with 7 ns (i.e. the rise time of the oscilloscope)

- Set the output voltage of the fast pulse generator to the exact amplitude of the input signal display. For example, assuming that the rise time of the signal examination is to be measured over the full eight divisions of the graticule, the output voltage of the fast pulse generator must be set to give an eight division display. Measure the rise time of the displayed pulse, which will be almost the rise time of the oscilloscope in the particular setting. Record this rise time.
- Disconnect the fast pulse generator and reconnect the input signal
- Measure the rise time of the signal
- Calculate the actual rise time of the signal using the formula:

$T_{ra} = \sqrt{T_{rm}^2 - T_{rop}^2}$, where T_{rop} is the actual rise time of the particular oscilloscope, as measured with the fast pulse generator.

If a rise time of the same order as that of the oscilloscope (i.e. actual rise times of 10 ns or less) is measured without the application of the correction procedure detailed above, the total measuring error can be reduced by using only the 5.6 vertical divisions about the horizontal centre-line. This precludes the use of the dotted 10 % and 90 % reference lines, so that the 10 % and 90 % levels must be plotted by the operator. In addition to this, the TIME/div. potentiometer must be set to its CAL position.

Rise time measurements made with the GAIN switch set to x10.

Rise time measurements are rarely made with the oscilloscope operating in the x10 mode. However, if a circumstance arises in which it is desirable to set the GAIN switch to its x10 position, the conditions specified above for x1 GAIN settings can be followed. It must, although, be remembered that the oscilloscope rise time will be 70 ns (i.e. ten times the rise time of the oscilloscope operating in the x1 mode). This much larger rise time involves a greater quantitative deviation from the nominal 70 ns rise time. A rise time measured with the oscilloscope in the x10 gain mode will therefore be subject to a greater possibility of error, as shown by the following theoretical explanation:

Influence of error in x1 gain setting

$$T_{rm}^2 = T_{ra}^2 + T_{rop}^2 = T_{ra}^2 + T_{ro}^2 + \left(-\frac{x}{100}\right) T_{ro}^2$$

Where T_{rop} is the rise time of the particular oscilloscope, and x is the positive or negative percentage deviation of T_{rop} from T_{ro}^2 (T_{ro} being the nominal rise time of the oscilloscope, i.e. 7 ns)

$$T_{rm}^2 = T_{rac}^2 + T_{ro}^2 \quad \text{----- 1}$$

$$T_{rm}^2 = T_{raa}^2 + T_{rop}^2 \quad \text{----- 2}$$

Where T_{rac} is the calculated actual rise time, and T_{raa} is the accurate rise time of the signal.

Equating 1 and 2:

$$T_{rac}^2 + T_{ro}^2 = T_{raa}^2 + T_{rop}^2$$

$$\text{Since } T_{rop}^2 = T_{ro}^2 \left(1 + \frac{x}{100}\right), T_{raa}^2 = T_{rac}^2 - \frac{x T_{ro}^2}{100} \quad \text{----- A}$$

Influence in x10 gain setting

$$\begin{aligned} T_{rm \times 10}^2 &= T_{rac}^2 + (10 T_{ro \times 10})^2 \\ &= T_{rac}^2 + 100 T_{ro \times 10}^2 \quad \text{----- 3} \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$T_{rm \times 10}^2 = T_{raa}^2 + 100 T_{ro \times 10}^2 \left(1 + \frac{x}{100}\right) \quad \text{----- 4}$$

Equating 3 and 4,

$$T_{raa}^2 = T_{rac}^2 - x T_{ro}^2 \quad \text{----- B}$$

Comparing equations A and B, it can be seen that x has an effect which is 100 times larger when the oscilloscope is operating in the x10 mode.

b. Rise time measurements using the main time-base

The following method can be used to determine the rise time of a waveform in which all pulses are identical, both in shape and in period. If the rise time of particular pulse in an irregular waveform is to be measured, then use the delayed time-base method which is detailed in para c.

- Connect the signal to the Y_A input socket
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B switch to OFF
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Set the LF/HF/DC switch to the appropriate position, depending upon the frequency of the signal
- Set the main time-base TIME/div. switch to its CAL position
- Adjust the main time-base trigger controls for a stable display
- Set the main-time base TIME/div. switch to a position which enables one complete edge of the pulse shape to be displayed

- Using the Y_A POSITION control in conjunction with the AMPL switch and AMPL potentiometer, obtain a condition in which the pulse shape begins at the bottom horizontal graticule line and ends at the top graticule line (i.e. the vertical deflection rises through exactly eight horizontal divisions). Make any necessary adjustment to the ILLUM and INTENS controls in order to make the display clear, shown in Fig. VIII-11.
- Further expand the trace in the horizontal plane, by means of the main time-base TIME/div. switch. Stabilize the display using the LEVEL potentiometer
- Pull the MAGN switch when its effect will reduce read-off error
- Use the X POSITION control to gradually shift the display until the edge of the pulse shape coincides with a junction of the dotted 10 % line and a vertical graticule. Check that, with the trace so positioned, the intersection of the trace and the dotted 90 % line is still visible. The vertical graticule line which forms the junction with the dotted 10 % line and the trace edge is now the time reference point, so that no readjustment of the X POSITION control must be made
- Check, by means of the main time-base TIME/div. switch, that the trace still has an amplitude of exactly eight divisions before measuring the horizontal distance between the points at which the edge intersects the dotted 10 % and 90 % reference lines

Calculate the measured rise time by multiplying the horizontal distance by the deflection coefficient to which the TIME/div. switch is set.

Divide this product by five only if it has been necessary to use the MAGN switch.

If the measured rise time is of the same order as that of the oscilloscope, then use the formula quoted at the beginning of this paragraph to evaluate the actual rise time of the signal, which may be considerably less than the measured rise time (see introductory paragraphs).

For example, with a TIME/div. setting of 0.05 μ s, a GAIN switch setting of x10, and a measured horizontal separation of 3.4 divisions, the measured time rise will be:

$$T_{rm} = 3.4 \text{ div.} \times 50 \text{ ns} = 170 \text{ ns}$$

Since the GAIN switch is set to x10, the rise time of the oscilloscope is 70 ns which is significant when compared with the measured rise time.

The actual rise time must therefore be calculated, as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{ra} &= \sqrt{T_{rm}^2 - T_{ro}^2} \\ &= \sqrt{170^2 - 70^2} = 155 \text{ ns} \end{aligned}$$

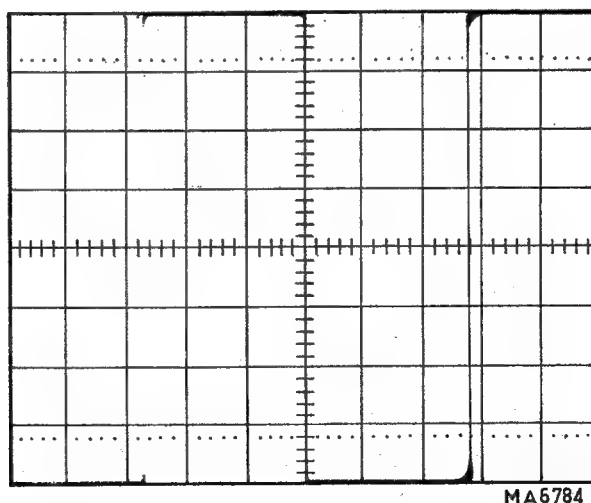


Fig. VIII-11. Square wave pulse with one edge intensified for the purpose of rise time measurement

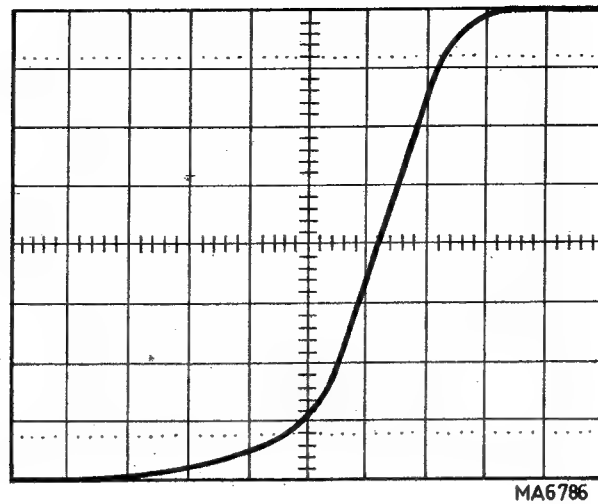


Fig. VIII-12. Enlarged display of the intensified edge which is obtained when the X DEFL switch is set to DEL'D TB

c. Rise time measurements using the delayed time-base

The following procedure is used when it is required to identify a particular pulse from a series, in order to measure its rise time or to examine it in detail.

- Connect the signal to the Y_A input socket
- Set the A/OFF/-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B switch to OFF
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Set the delayed time-base TIME/div. potentiometer to its CAL position
- Using the main time-base TIME/div. switch and potentiometer, display the required train of pulses on the screen
- Use the Y_A POSITION control in conjunction with the AMPL switch and AMPL potentiometer of channel A, to adjust the display until it is large enough for a detailed examination
- Set the TIME/div. switch of the delayed time-base to the smallest possible deflection coefficient which may be used to obtain an intensified portion of the waveform of the same width as the pulse under examination
- Use the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER to shift the intensification to the pulse which is to be examined
- Set the MAIN TB/DEL'D TB/EXTERN switch to DEL'D TB. The selected pulse will now be displayed
- Use the Y_A POSITION control in conjunction with the AMPL switch and AMPL potentiometer, to obtain a condition in which the edge of the displayed pulse begins on the bottom horizontal graticule line and ends at the top graticule line (i.e. the vertical deflection rises through exactly eight horizontal graticule divisions) See Fig. VIII-12.
- Further expand the display in a horizontal plane by means of the delayed time-base TIME/div. switch. Stabilize the display using the main time-base LEVEL control. Stabilization is also possible using the main time-base triggering controls when the AFTER DELAY TIME switch is transferred from STARTS to TRIGG
- Use the X POSITION potentiometer to gradually shift the display until the edge of the pulse coincides with a junction formed by the dotted 10 % line and a vertical graticule line. The edge of the pulse must still intersect the dotted 90 % line. Since the vertical line forming the junction with the dotted 10 % line is now the reference point, no readjustment must be made to the X POSITION control
- Check, by means of the delayed time-base TIME/div. switch, that the display has an amplitude of exactly eight divisions before measuring the horizontal distance between the time reference point and the point at which the trace cuts the dotted 90 % line
- Calculate the rise time as detailed in the previous paragraph

6. Phase difference measurements

a. General information

The phase difference between two separately displayed sinusoidal signals may be evaluated with the aid of the PM 3250 oscilloscope.

The following methods may be applied to signals having a frequency of up to 50 MHz, provided that the GAIN switch is set to $\times 1$. If the GAIN switch is set to $\times 10$, then an accurate result can only be obtained from waveforms of up to 5 MHz in frequency.

The main time-base is used for fairly large phase difference measurements, whereas the delayed time-base is best suited to the measurement of small phase differences. In order to assess the total possible error in a phase difference measurement, reference should be made to the introductory paragraphs which explain the various sources of possible error.

b. Phase difference measurements using the main time-base

This method is used to measure large phase differences. If, therefore, a reasonably large separation between the displayed pulses cannot be obtained, the delayed time-base should be used, as detailed in sub para c. If the phase difference between the two displayed pulses appears to be less than 80° , use the MAGN switch to enlarge the display. Proceed as follows:

- Connect the two signals to the Y_A and Y_B input sockets using probes or coaxial cables with identical time delay properties
- Set the AC/0/DC switches to the positions which are best suited to the input signals
- Set the CHOPP/ALT switch to CHOPP for low frequencies, or to ALT for high frequencies

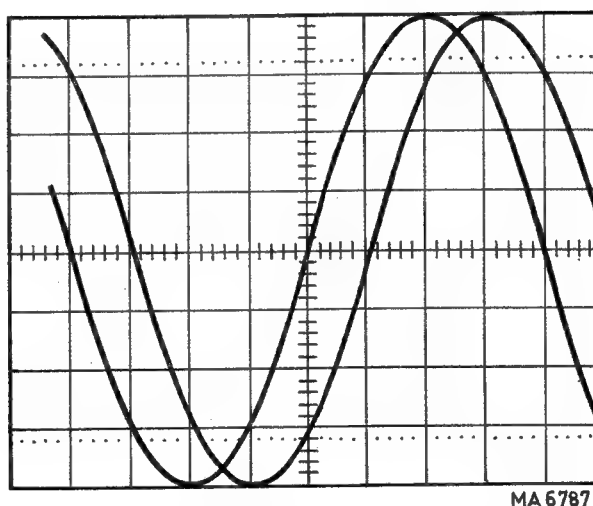


Fig. VIII-13. Main time-base phase difference measurement with leading waveform displayed over exactly eight divisions

- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A, and the B/OFF/-B switch to B
- Set the $Y_A/Y_B/EXT$ switch to the channel (Y_A or Y_B) carrying the signal which leads in time
- Adjust the main time-base LEVEL control so that the waveform commences at a suitable point on the graticule
- A 180° phase inversion may be applied to channel B by setting the B/OFF/-B switch to -B. This inversion must be taken into account when the actual phase difference is calculated
- Using the AMPL switches and their associated potentiometers, adjust both waveforms until they are equal in amplitude. The waveforms should be as large as possible (preferably a full eight vertical divisions) See Fig. VIII-13.
- Correct any instability by using the main time-base triggering controls

- If necessary, use the POSITION controls in order to dispose both waveforms symmetrically about the centre-line
- Set the TIME/div. switch and TIME/div. potentiometer of the channel which carries the leading waveform, in order to display the leading waveform over exactly eight horizontal divisions. In this condition, each division represents $360^\circ/8 = 45^\circ$. If the MAGN switch has been operated, each division will represent only 9°

Note that the MAGN switch should only be used if the displayed phase difference is less than two divisions. In such cases where a phase difference is seen to be less than two divisions, the results obtained from the main time-base method will only be acceptable if the frequency of the input signal is less than 5 MHz. For higher frequencies, the delayed time-base method should be used.

- Measure the horizontal distance between the waveforms, and multiply the result by 45° (or by 9° if the MAGN switch has been operated). The answer will be the phase difference

c. Phase difference measurements using the delayed time-base

This method is used in cases where the phase difference is small.

Set up the display in accordance with the first ten steps of the previous paragraph, then proceed as follows:

- Set the TIME/div. potentiometers of both channels to CAL
- Temporarily switch off the channel which carries the lagging phase and use the appropriate TIME/div. switch to display the leading signal over the largest possible distance, without use of the first and the last division
- Measure the horizontal distance between the zero and 360° points of the leading signal. Determine the period of the leading signal by multiplying the horizontal distance by the deflection coefficient setting of the associated TIME/div. switch
- Set the AFTER DELAY TIME switch to STARTS
- Set the TIME/div. switch of the delayed time-base to a position which produces the smallest possible length of display intensification, shown in Fig. VIII-14. A small readjustment of the INTENS control may prove necessary
- Adjust the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER, in conjunction with the TIME/div. switch of the delayed time-base, in order to shift the intensified portion to the point at which the two pulses cross the centre-line of the graticule
- Set the MAIN TB/DEL'D TB/EXT switch to DEL'D TB. An enlarged display of the intensified portion will now be presented
- Obtain any possible enlargement of the new display using the delayed time-base TIME/div. switch. It may now be necessary to make a small adjustment to the FOCUS control
- Shift the display by means of the POSITION control, until one of the measuring points is aligned with its nearest vertical graticule line shown in Fig. VIII-15.
- Measure the horizontal distance between the two measuring points which represents the phase difference. Multiply this measured distance by the deflection coefficient setting of the delayed time-base. This result is the time duration between the two edges
- Insert the values obtained into the following formula, where T is the period of one complete cycle, and ΔT is the time duration between pulses:

$$\text{Phase difference} = \frac{\Delta T}{T} \times 360^\circ$$

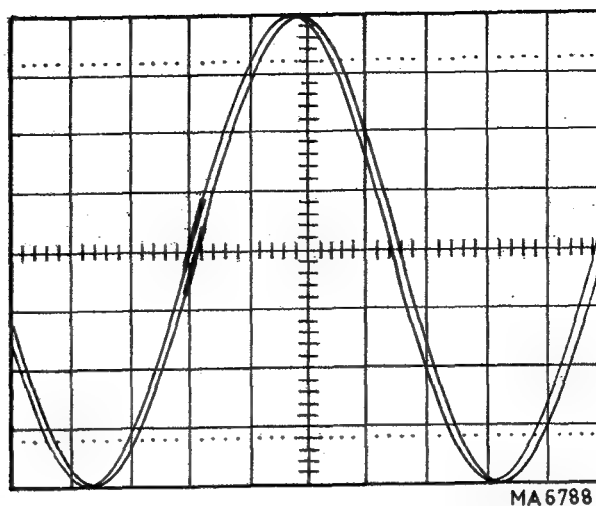


Fig. VIII-14. Phase difference display with the intensified portion located at a point where the two pulses cross the centre-line

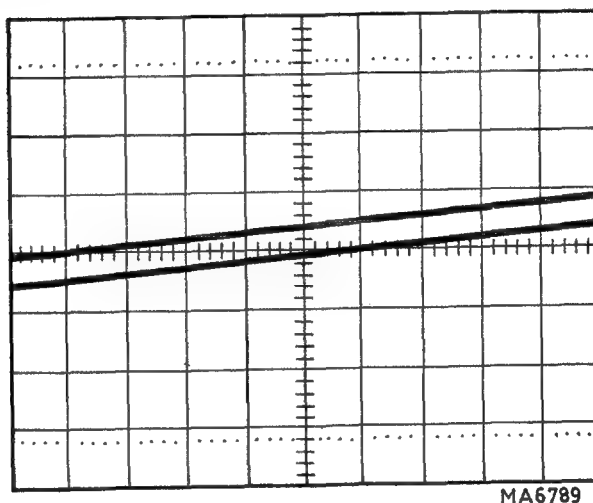


Fig. VIII-15. Enlarged portion of the display with one measuring point shifted to its nearest vertical graticule line

D. X-Y MEASUREMENTS

1. Introduction

When the X DEFL switch is set to EXTERN via YB, channel A input provides the Y deflection and channel B input provides the X deflection. The PM 3250 oscilloscope can therefore be used to perform X-Y measurements, so that phase difference and frequency measurements can be performed.

2. Phase difference measurements

When the oscilloscope is operating in the X-Y mode, the input of two sinusoids having identical frequency will result in the display of a line. If there is a phase difference between the two signals, an elliptical display will be obtained. The dimensions of this display can be used to evaluate the phase difference. Proceed as follows:

- Connect the two signals to the Y_A and Y_B input sockets
- Use the AMPL switches and potentiometers to produce as large a display as possible within the viewing area
- Shift the displayed figure until its left hand edge just touches a vertical graticule line. Call the point at which the waveform touches the vertical graticule line point A
- Determine the farthest point to which the right hand edge of the figure extends. Call this point B
- Measure the vertical distance between points A and B, also measure the total vertical distance of the figure
- Evaluate the sine of the phase difference angle by inserting the two measured quantities into the following formula:

$$\text{Sine of phase difference angle} = \frac{\text{Vertical distance between A and B}}{\text{Total vertical distance of figure}}$$

Reference to trigonometric tables will enable the phase angle to be found.

3. Frequency measurements

Use of a high accuracy sine wave generator in conjunction with the PM 3250 oscilloscope enables unknown frequencies to be measured.

This technique involves the display of Lissajous figures using the generator as a variable reference source. With the oscilloscope operating in the X-Y mode, the unknown frequency is applied to one input channel and the sine wave generator is connected to the other channel. The sine wave generator can then be adjusted to a frequency at which a stable display of a Lissajous figure is obtained. The reading of the sine wave generator and the shape of the figure can then be used to evaluate the unknown frequency.

E. DIFFERENTIAL MEASUREMENTS

1. Introduction

The difference between two separately displayed signals can be presented by setting the A/OFF/A-B switch to A-B. In this circumstance, the signal connected to channel Y_B is displayed together with the waveform which represents the difference between the two inputs.

If, therefore, the two displayed signals are in common mode (i.e. the signals are constantly equal in potential) then the difference signal will be zero and the resulting display will be a horizontal linear trace.

When a very small a.c. signal is superimposed upon one of two common mode signals, the common mode component of the waveform may be rejected by setting the A/OFF/A-B switch to A-B.

2. Differential measurements

Proceed as follows in order to make a differential measurement:

- Set the AC/0/DC switches to DC
- Connect the two signals to the Y_A and Y_B sockets using probes or cables with identical time delay properties
- Set the AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE switch to AUTO
- Set both AMPL potentiometers to the CAL position
- Set the two AMPL switches to settings which are equal and which produce the largest possible display within the viewing area
- Set the A/OFF/A-B switch to A-B. The difference in amplitude will now be displayed. This display may be enlarged by stepping both AMPL switches simultaneously, to more sensitive positions:
 The channel B display can be removed from the screen by setting the B/OFF/-B switch to OFF.
 Alternatively, the channel B display may be inverted by setting the switch to -B.

In some cases, the common mode rejection may be improved by applying a slight adjustment to one of the AMPL potentiometers

3. Common mode rejection factor

Since common mode rejection is partially dependent upon the amplitude ratio of the two signals under examination, the common mode component of a signal may not always be totally rejected.

It is, therefore, necessary to express the common mode rejection factor of a differential oscilloscope. This factor is evaluated by dividing the amplitude of two equal common mode input signals by the amplitude shown in the display which they produce, as shown in Fig. VIII-16. Note that a considerable increase in the AMPL setting may be necessary in order to measure the amplitude of the display

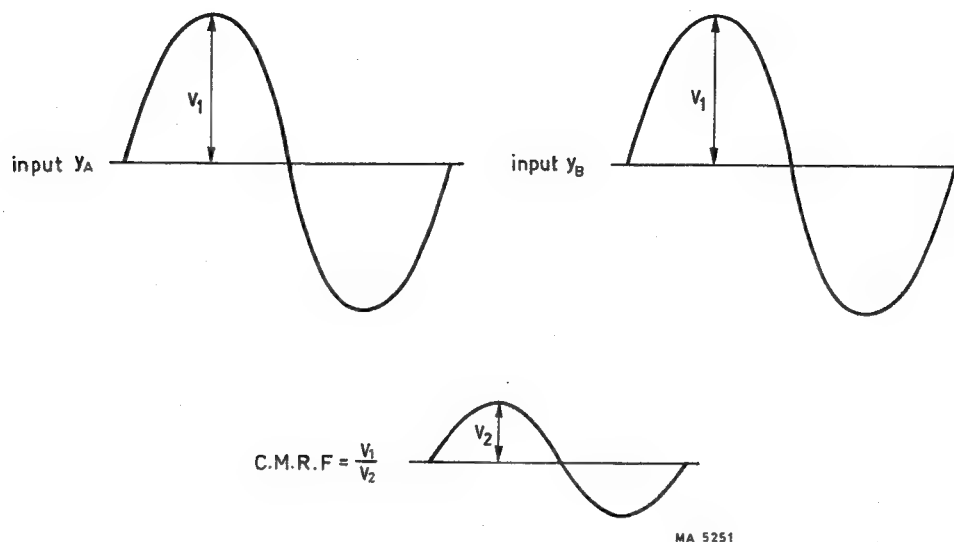


Fig. VIII-16. Determining the common mode rejection factor

F. OSCILLOSCOPE OUTPUT SIGNAL APPLICATIONS

A positive square wave gating pulse output at an amplitude of +2 V is available from DEL'D + GATE socket, whenever the delayed time-base is in operation. This output has the same frequency as the delayed time-base circuit, and the gating pulse width is set by the TIME/div. switch of the delayed time-base.

The DEL'D + GATE output may be used to trigger an external circuit at any predetermined instant after the commencement of the main time-base sweep. The amount of delay is chosen by means of the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER and main time-base TIME/div. controls.

The gating pulse is used as follows:

- Connect the input signal to the Y_A channel and set the main time-base controls to obtain a stable display
- Set both TIME/div. potentiometers to the CAL position
- Set the AFTER DELAY TIME switch to STARTS
- Use the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER to set the delay time which will be the product of the main time-base TIME/div. switch setting and the DELAY TIME MULTIPLIER reading
- Connect the gating pulse output to the external circuit. Triggering will occur at the beginning of the intensified portion provided that the circuit triggers on the positive-going edge of the gating pulse, or at the end of the gating pulse if the circuit triggers on the negative-going edge.

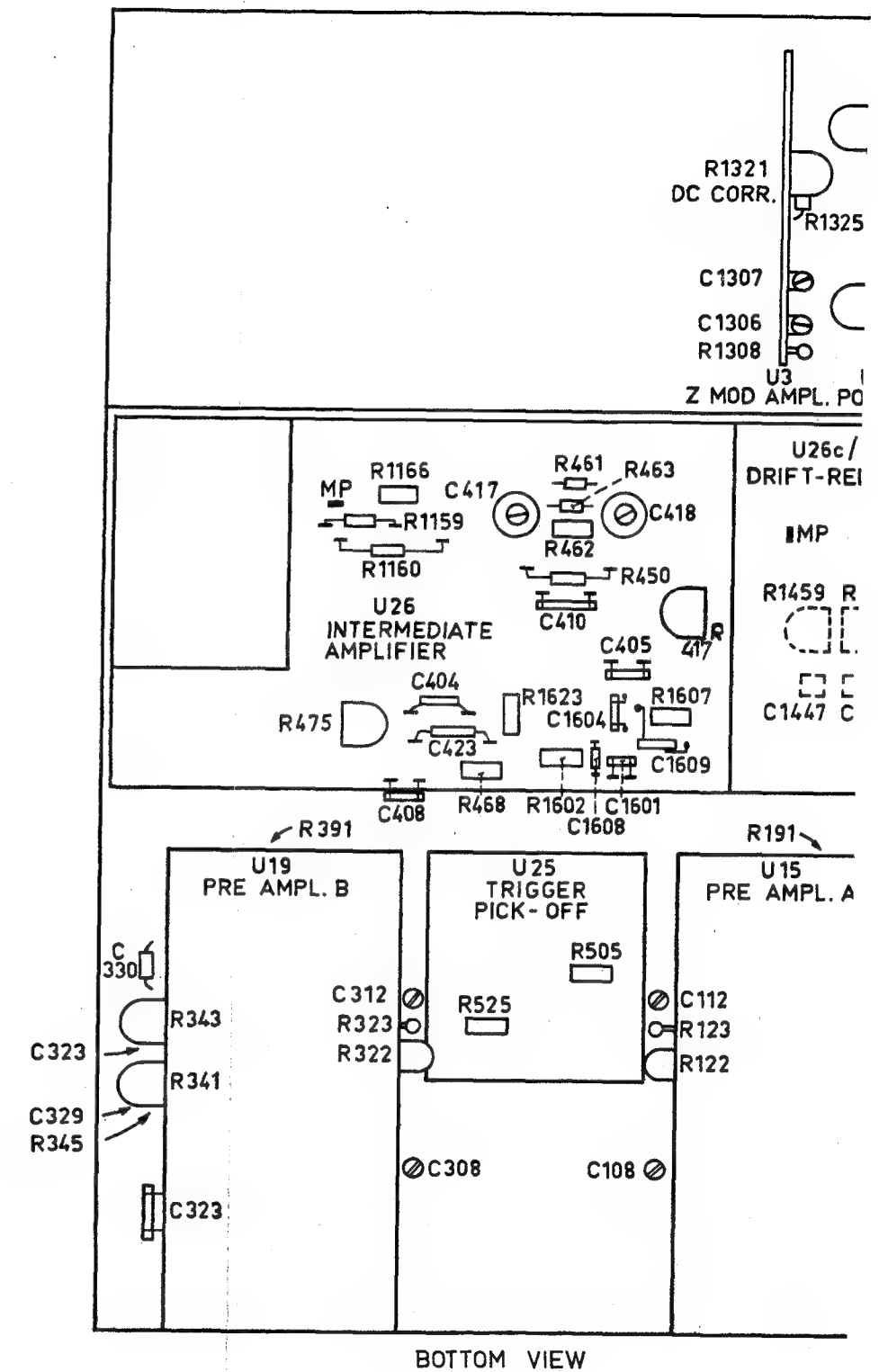
G. PHOTOGRAPHIC SCREEN TRACES

Displays may be photographed by means of the camera assembly PM 9380. Refer to the PM 9380 manual for details.

Reference

Item nr Chapter Checking and Adjusting

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C108	37	R122	36	R906	43
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C312	41	R323	36	R1052	45
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C423	41	R468	41	R1208	33
C734	47	R475	39	R1242	33
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C1420	38	R632	40	R1327	34
C1421	38	R633	40	R1328	34
C1445	38	R634	40	R1337	34
C1447	38	R638	40	R1339	35
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		R733	44	R1459	38
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BOTTOM VIEW

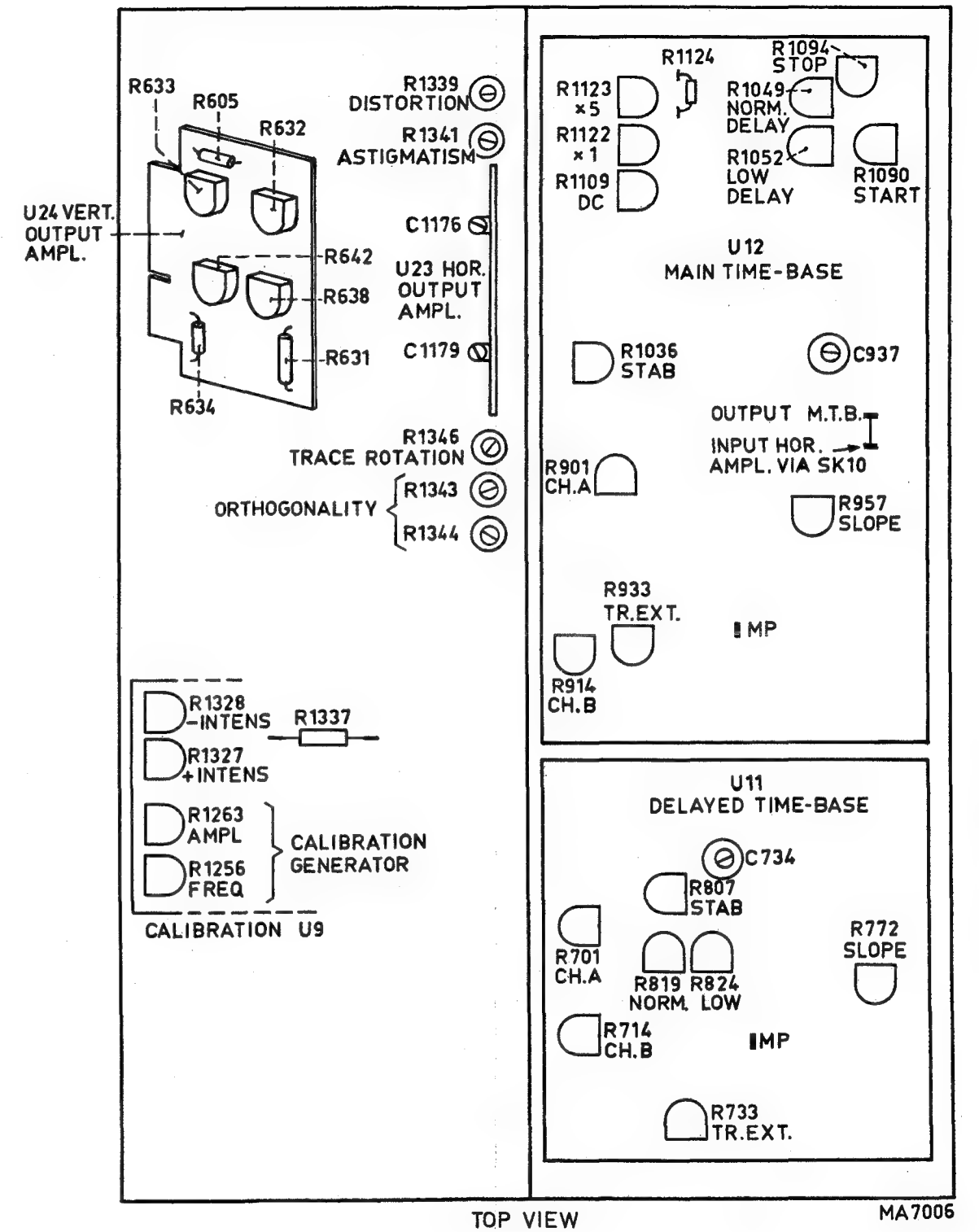
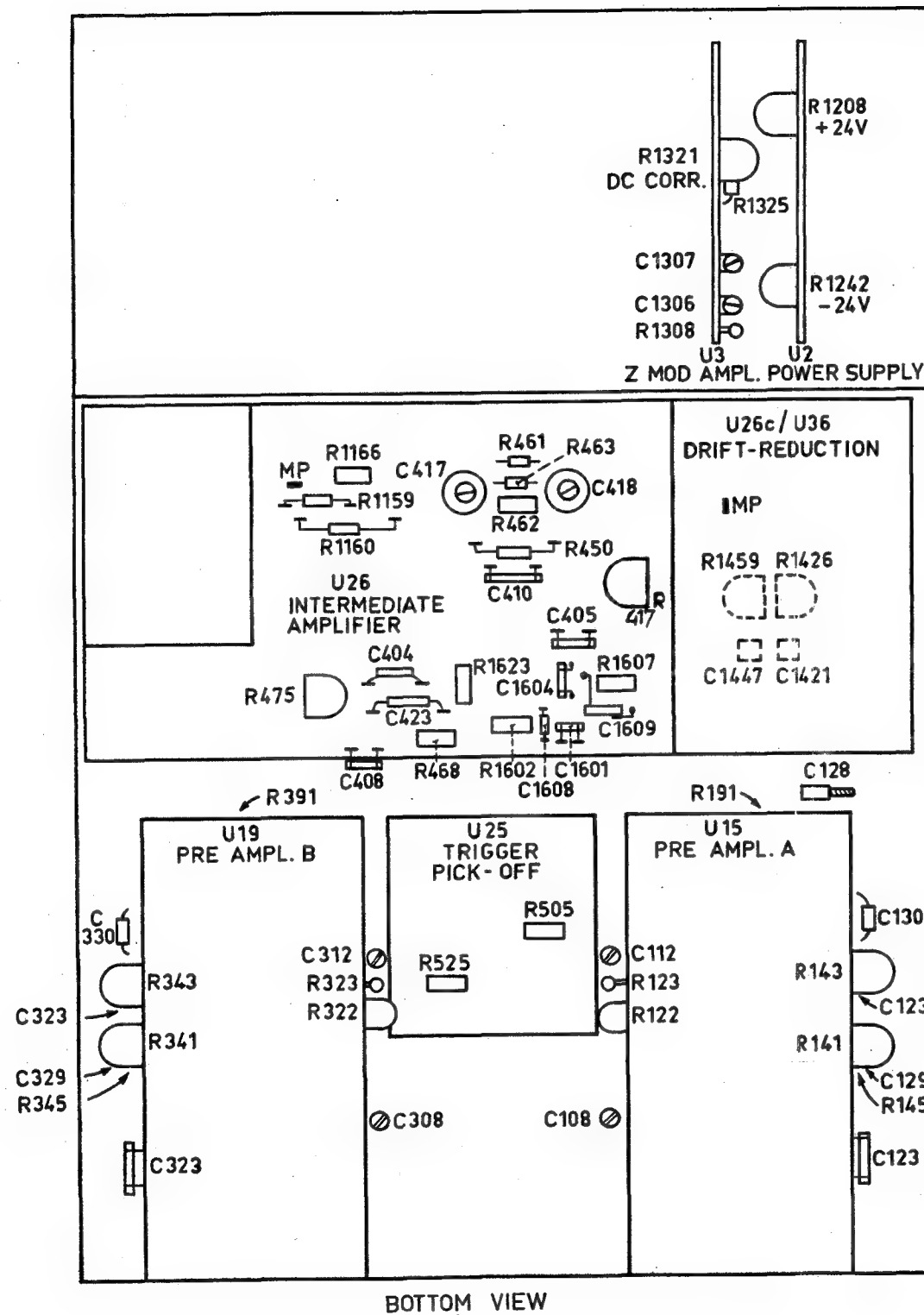


Fig. XI-8. Location various adjustment points

XII. Information for assistance in fault finding

A. VOLTAGE LEVELS

The d.c. levels on the most important points of the circuits have been indicated on the circuit diagrams. These values may slightly differ per instrument.

The measurements have been carried out under the following conditions:

- Switch "AUTO/TRIGG/SINGLE" in position "AUTO".
- Switch "X DEFL" in position "MAIN TB".
- Switches "AC-0-DC" in position "0".
- Switch "GAIN" in position "x1".
- Potentiometers "Y POSITION" in the centre position.
- Switch "TIME/div" of the main time base in position "1 ms/div".
- For measurements in channel A; switch "B/OFF/-B" in position "OFF" and switch "A/OFF/A-B" in position "A".
- For measurements in channel B; switch "B/OFF/-B" in position "B" and switch "A/OFF/A-B" in position "OFF".

B. WAVEFORMS

In some circuit diagrams voltage waveforms are shown. The various switch positions are given in these diagrams.

C. REPAIR HINTS

1. Fault: there is only trace A visible

- Check that the d.c. level on the output of the pre-amplifier A (thus on the cursor of R14) is 0 V. If not, change the connections between the pre-amplifiers and the drift reduction circuits. (Thus connect R127 to R1434, R327 to R1401, R134 to R1467, R334 to R1433).
- If there is now only trace B visible, then the drift reduction circuit of channel A is defective.
- If there is now only trace A visible, then the pre-amplifier of channel A is defective.

2. Fault: there is only trace B visible

- Check the pre-amplifier and the drift reduction circuit of channel B according to point B.1.

3. Fault: the pre-amplifier A is defective

- Remove the connection between R127 and R1401 and the connection between the cursor of R11 and C1404.
- Connect the cursor of R11 to R127.
- Check that the d.c. levels on the different points of pre-amplifier A have the values indicated on the circuit diagram.

4. Fault: the pre-amplifier B is defective

- Remove the connection between R327 and R1434 and the connection between the cursor of R12 and C1431.
- Connect the cursor of R12 to R327.
- Check that the d.c. levels on the different points of pre-amplifier B have the values indicated on the circuit diagram.

Item	Code number	Description
29	5322 528 20165	Flexible shaft coupling
30	5322 255 10007	Lamp holder (LA4, LA5)
31	5322 255 20022	Lamp holder (LA1, LA2)
	5322 462 44023	Insulation cover of lamp holders (LA1, LA2)
32	5322 320 24001	High tension cable complete
33	5322 219 80158	Delay line (L603) complete
34	5322 462 30117	Guide part for print panels
35	5322 255 40054	Transistor cooling radiator (TO-5)
36	5322 255 40089	Transistor socket (TO-18) with four contacts *
37	5322 255 40015	Transistor socket (TO-5)
38	5322 255 70159	C.r.t. socket
39	5322 267 60023	P.c. connector with double row soldering lugs
40	5322 267 50122	P.c. connector with one row side soldering lugs
41	5322 267 60034	P.c. connector with double row soldering lugs
Service tools		
—	5322 395 50104	Trimming rod for input attenuator capacitors
—	5322 263 70035	Extension p.c. board

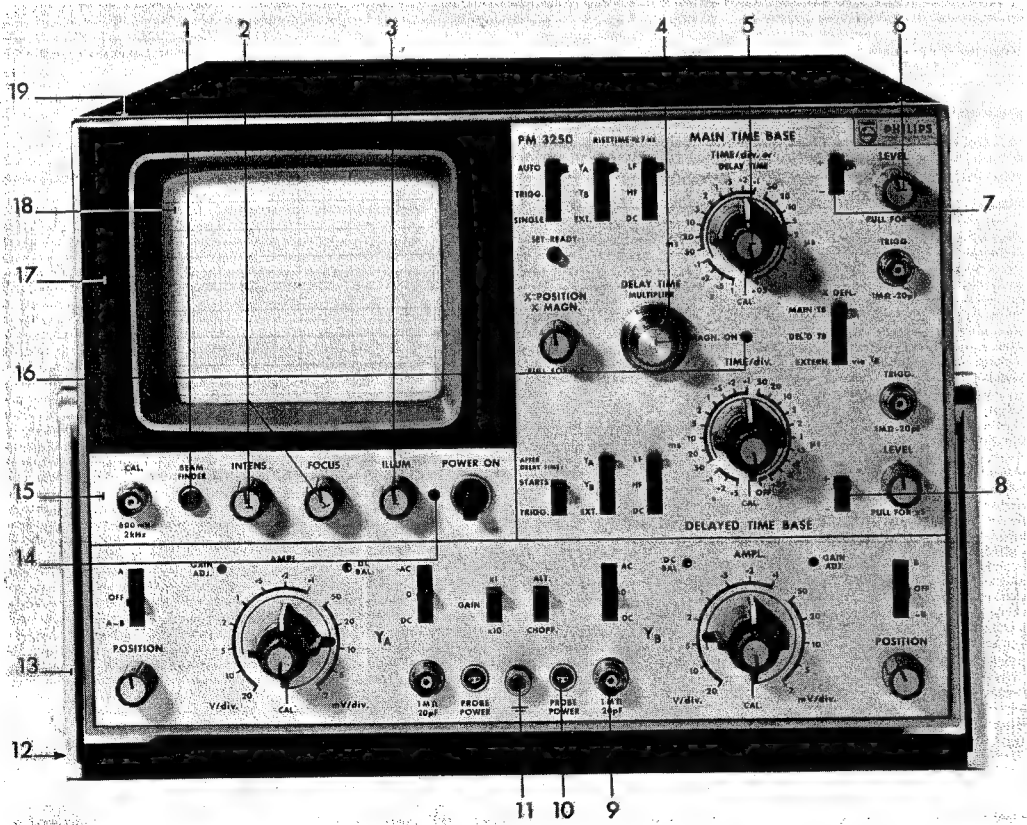


Fig. XIII-1. Front side

* For replacement of a socket with three contacts, one contact of the replacement socket must be removed.

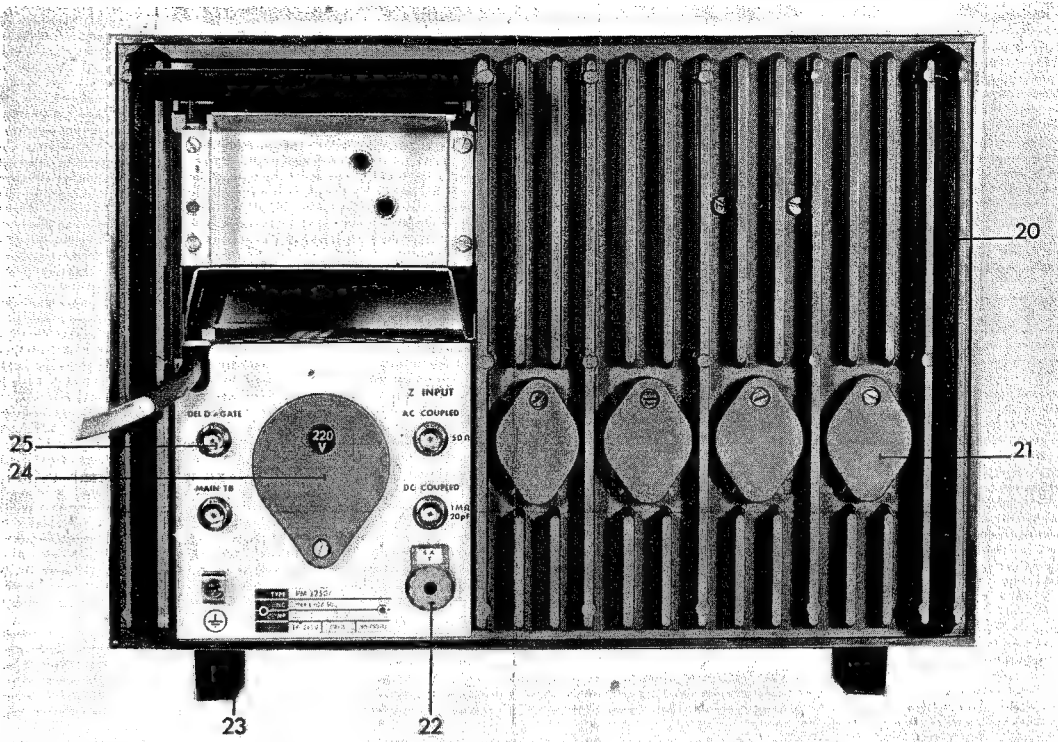


Fig. XIII-2. Rear side

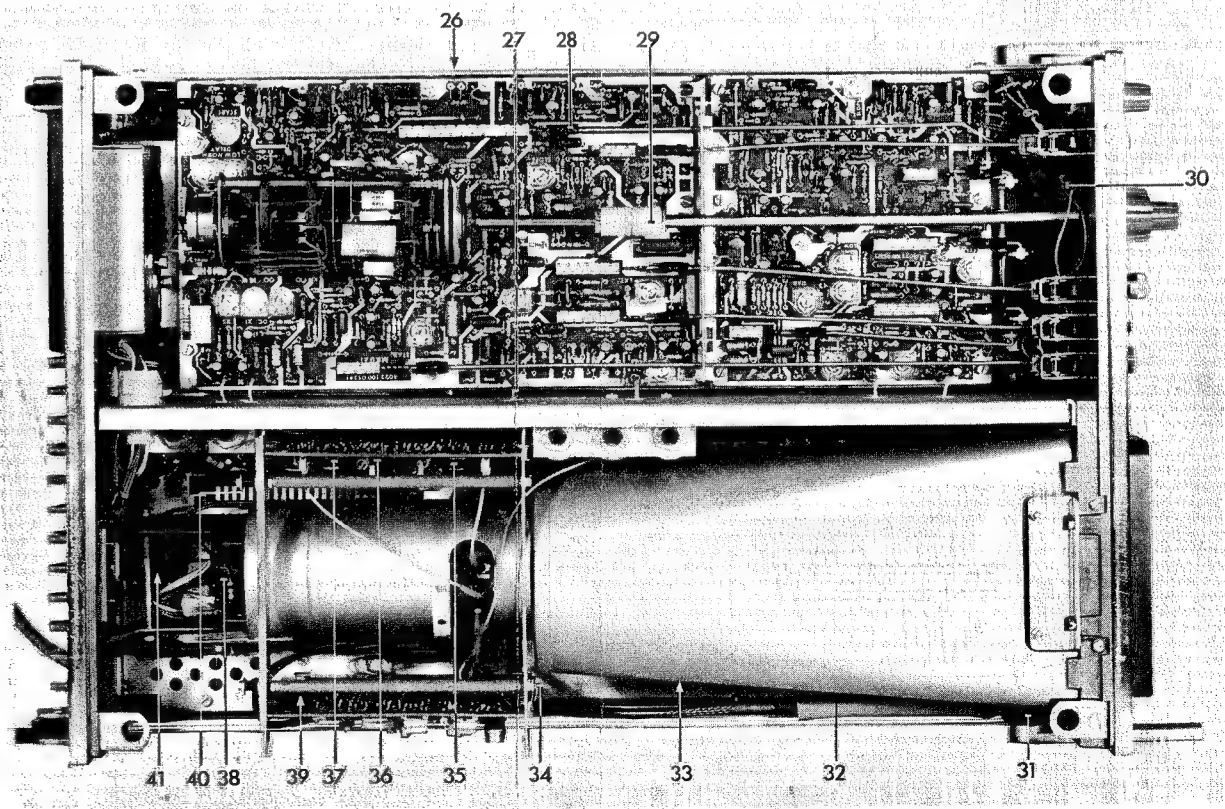


Fig. XIII-3. Top side

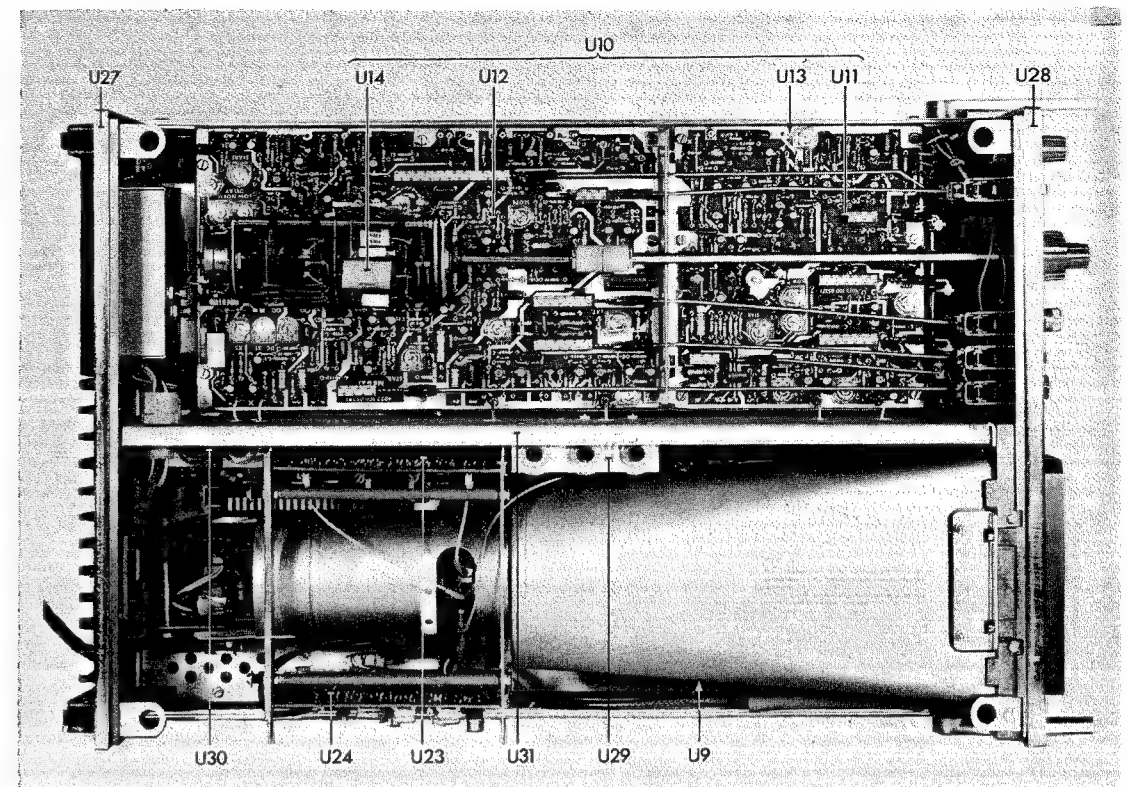
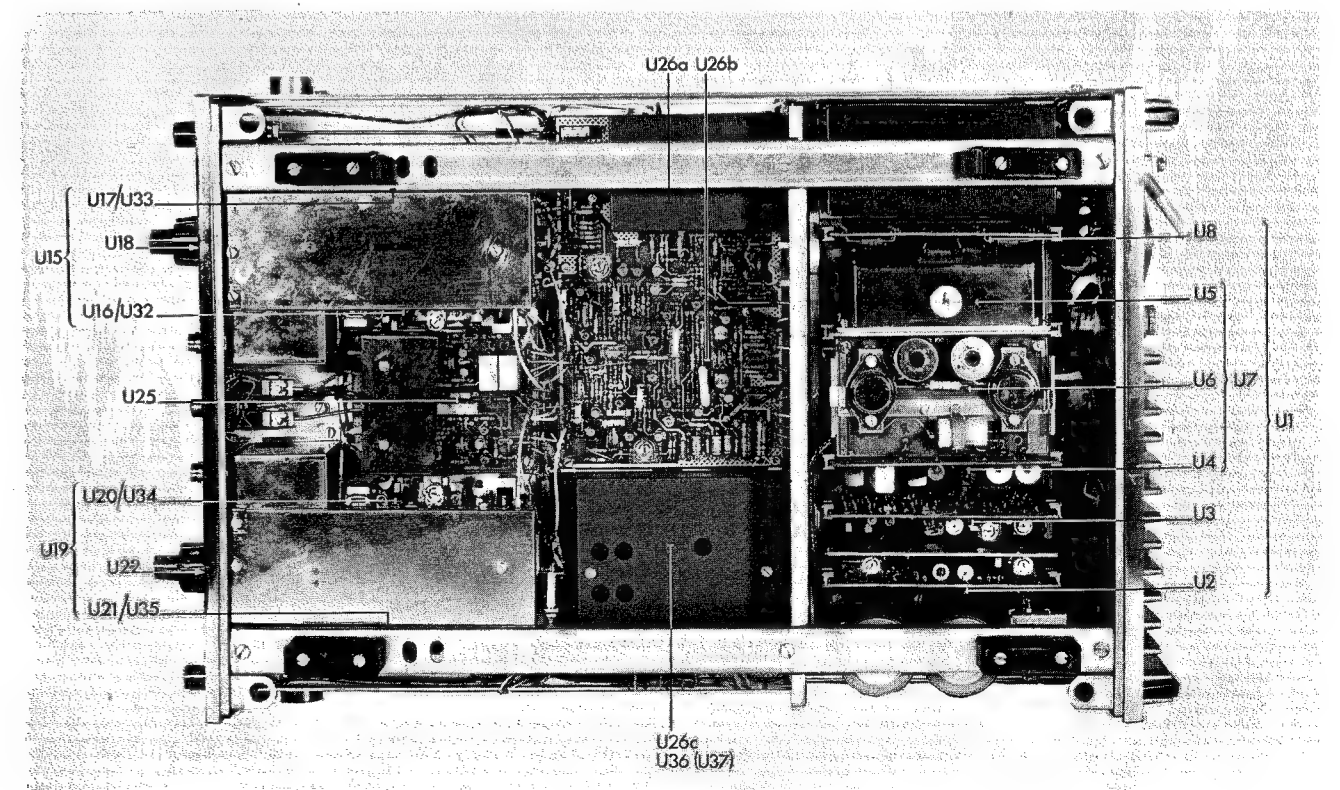


Fig. XIII-4. Top side



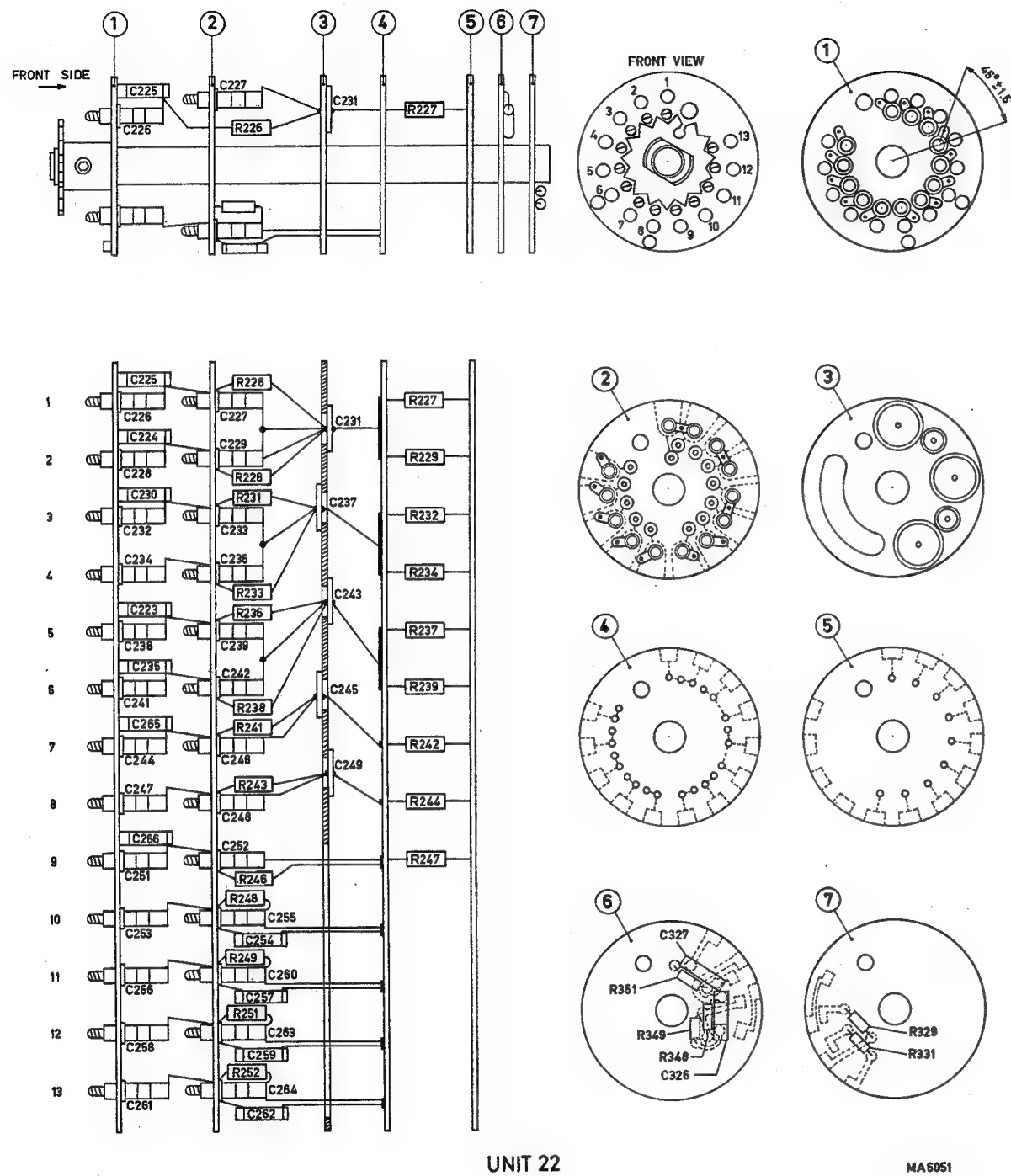


Fig. XIV-1a. Component location

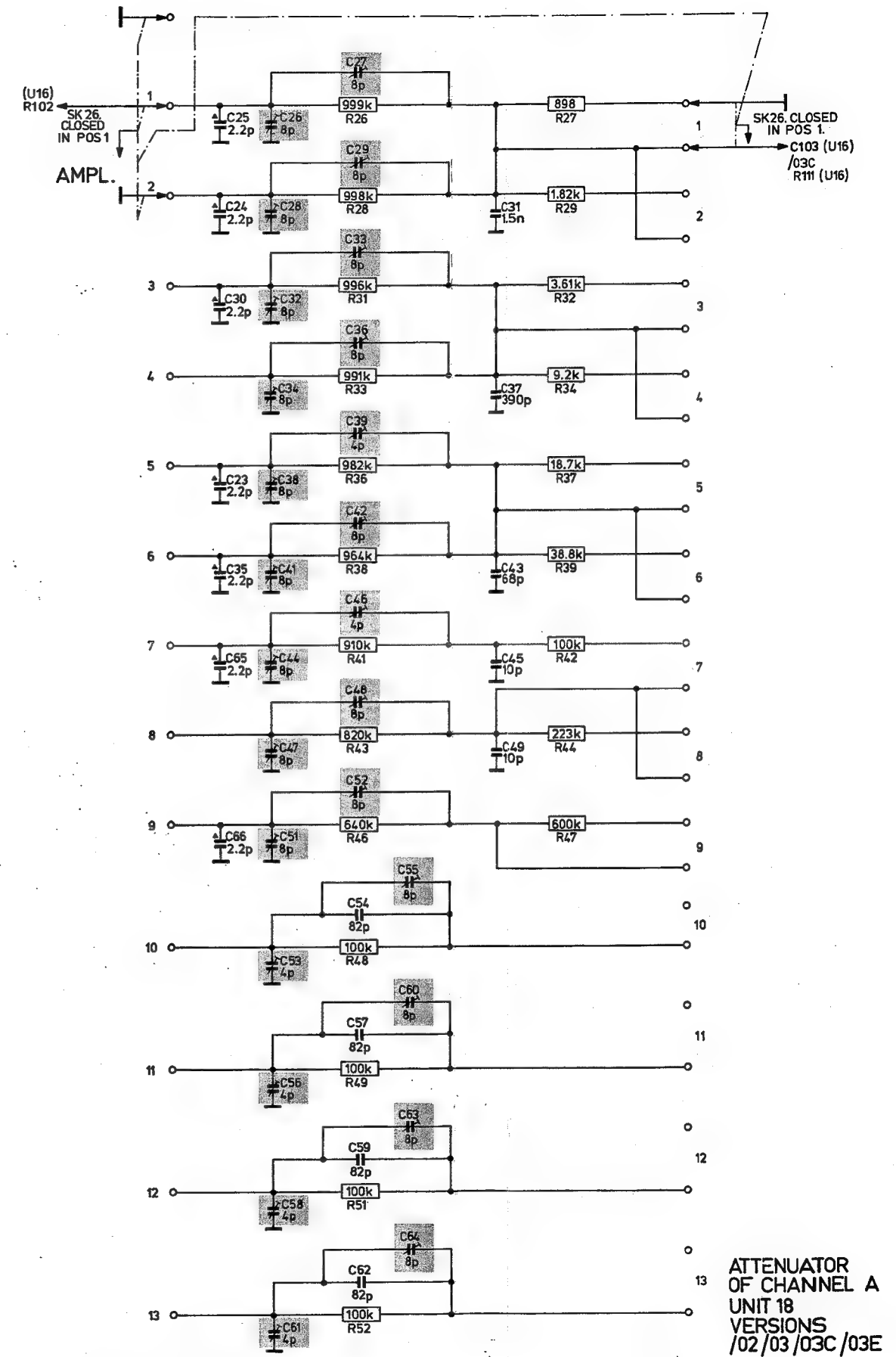


Fig. XIV-1. Circuit diagram

Attenuator switch A U18

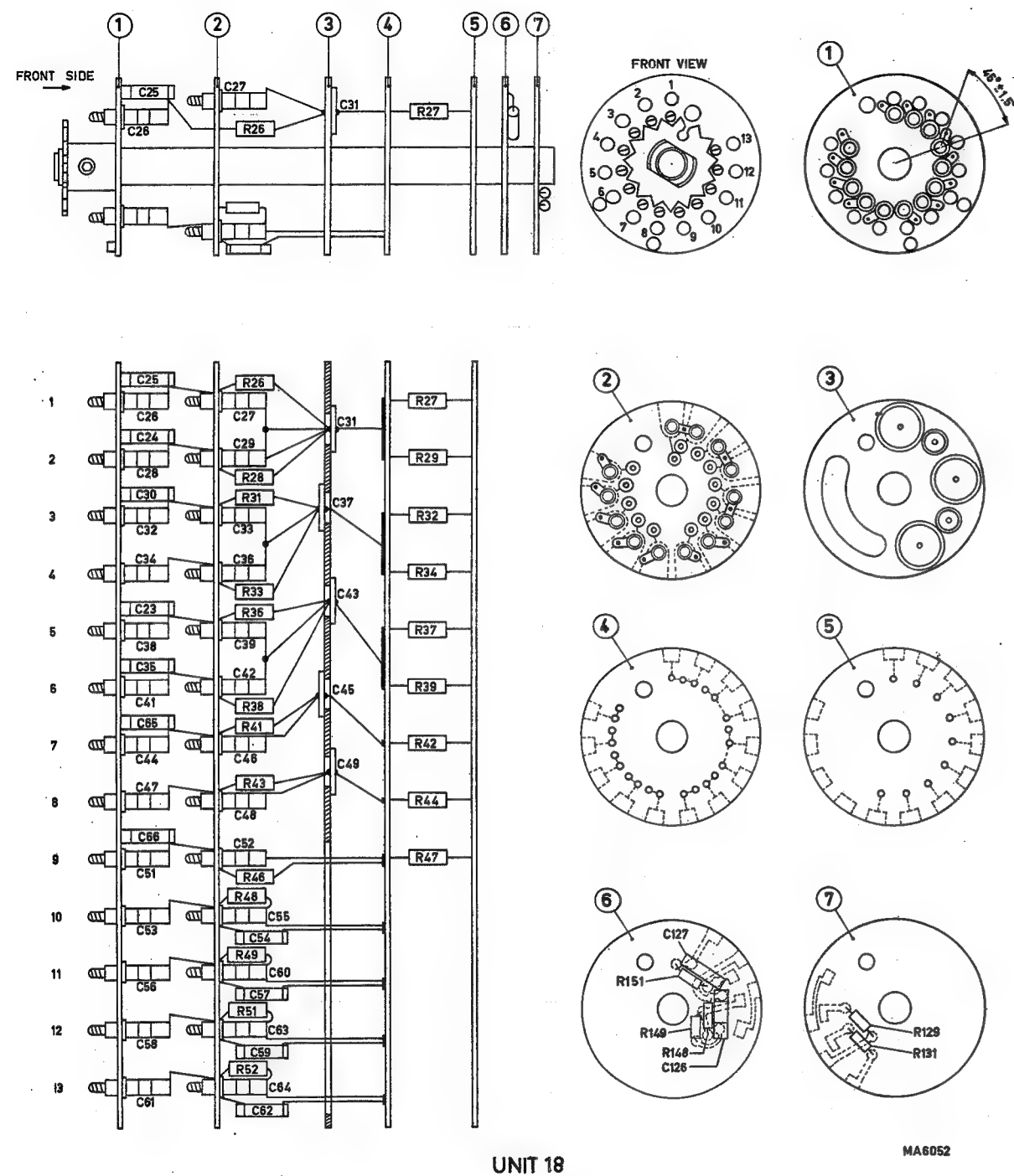


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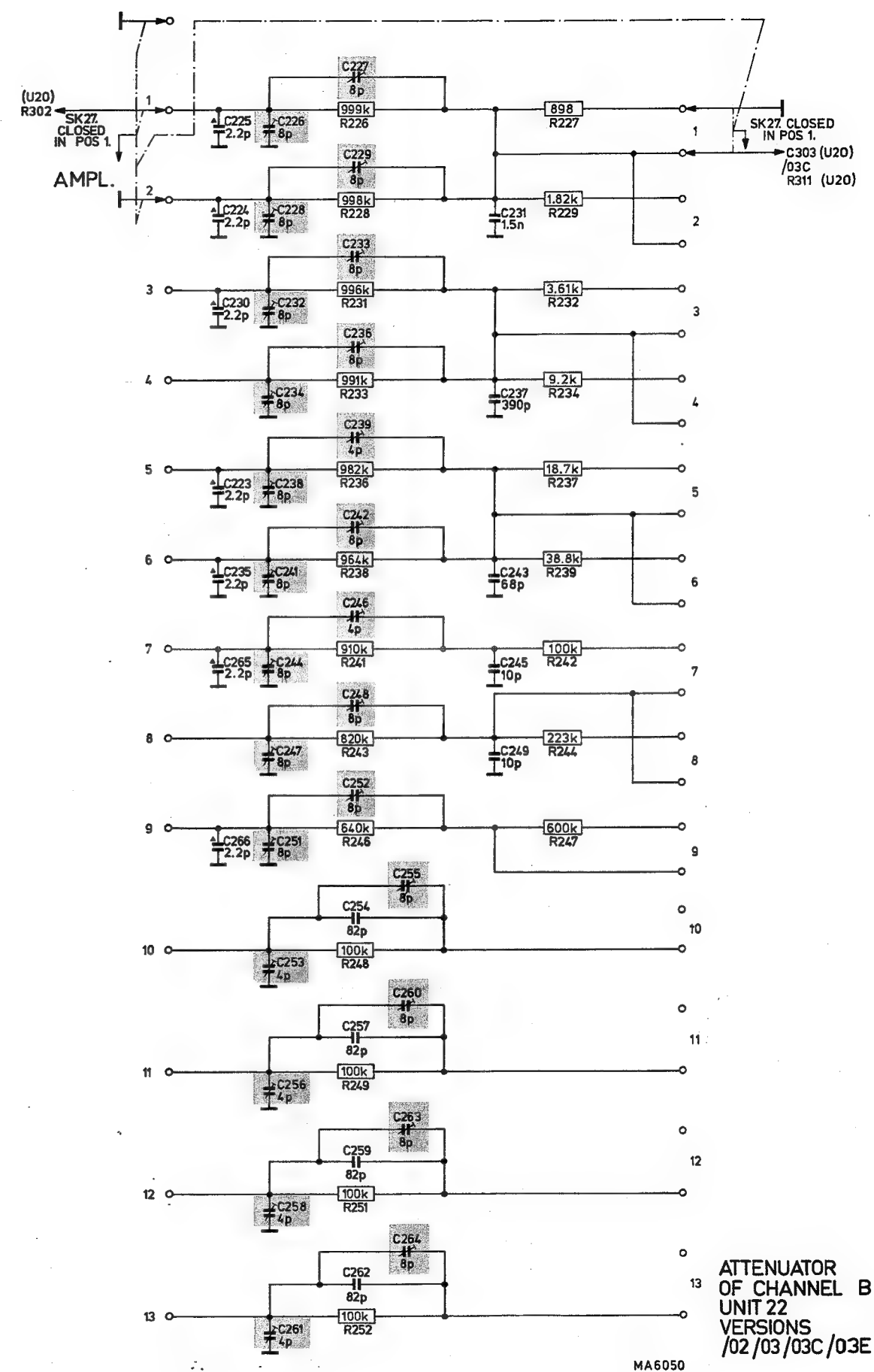
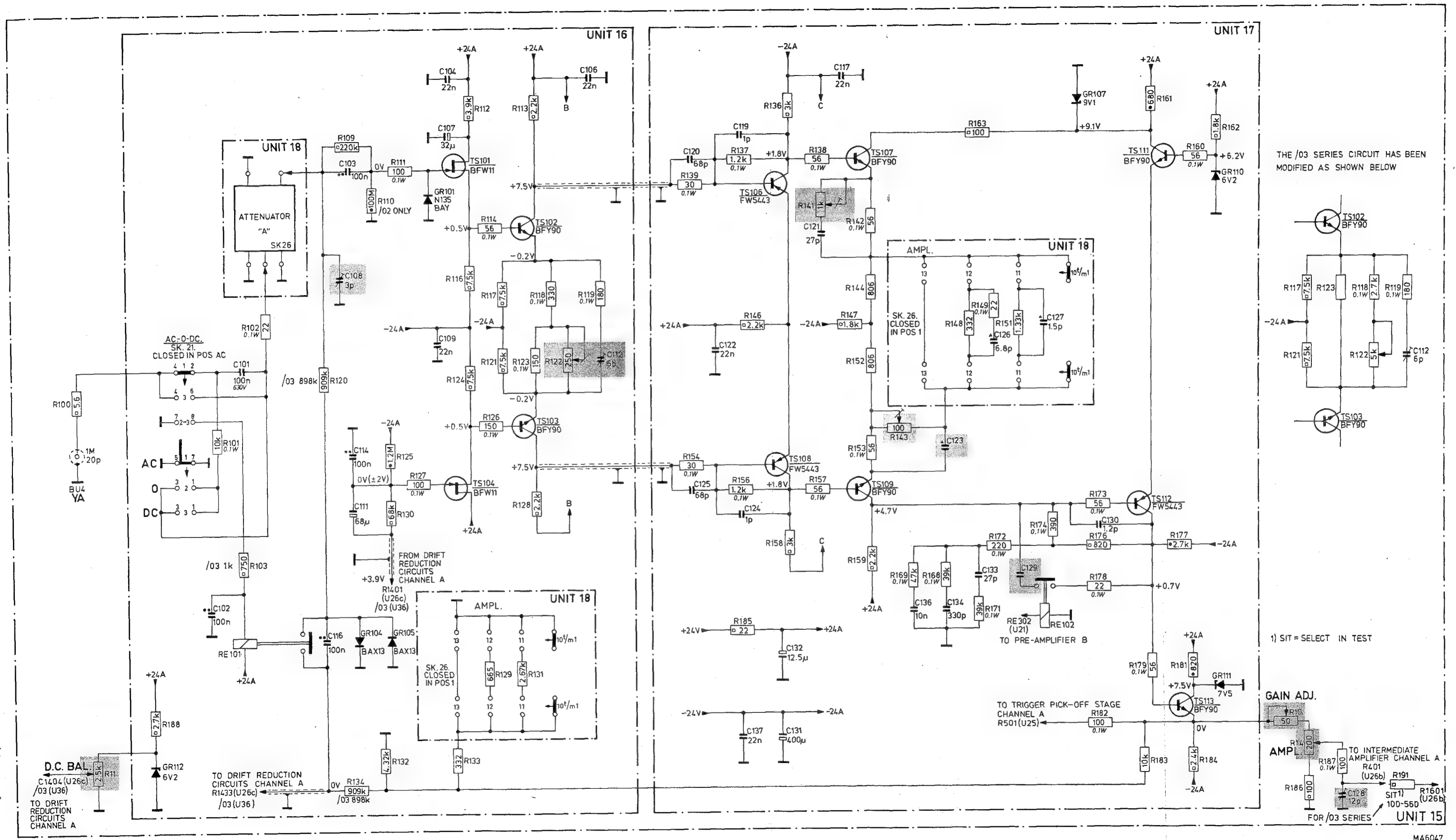


Fig. XIV-2. Circuit diagram

Attenuator switch B U22



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Fig. XIV-3. Circuit diagram

Preamplifier A U15, vers. -/02/03/03E

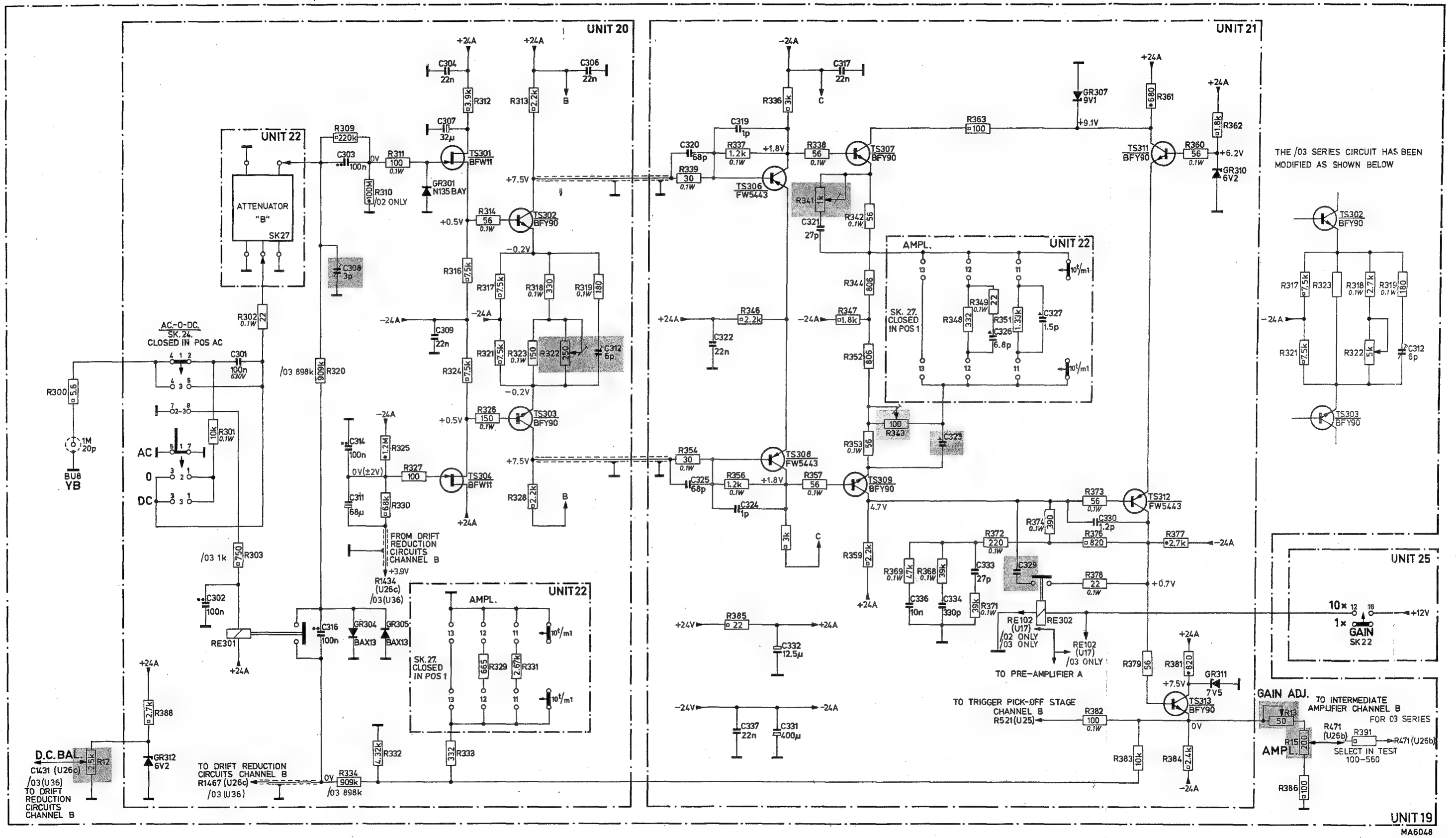
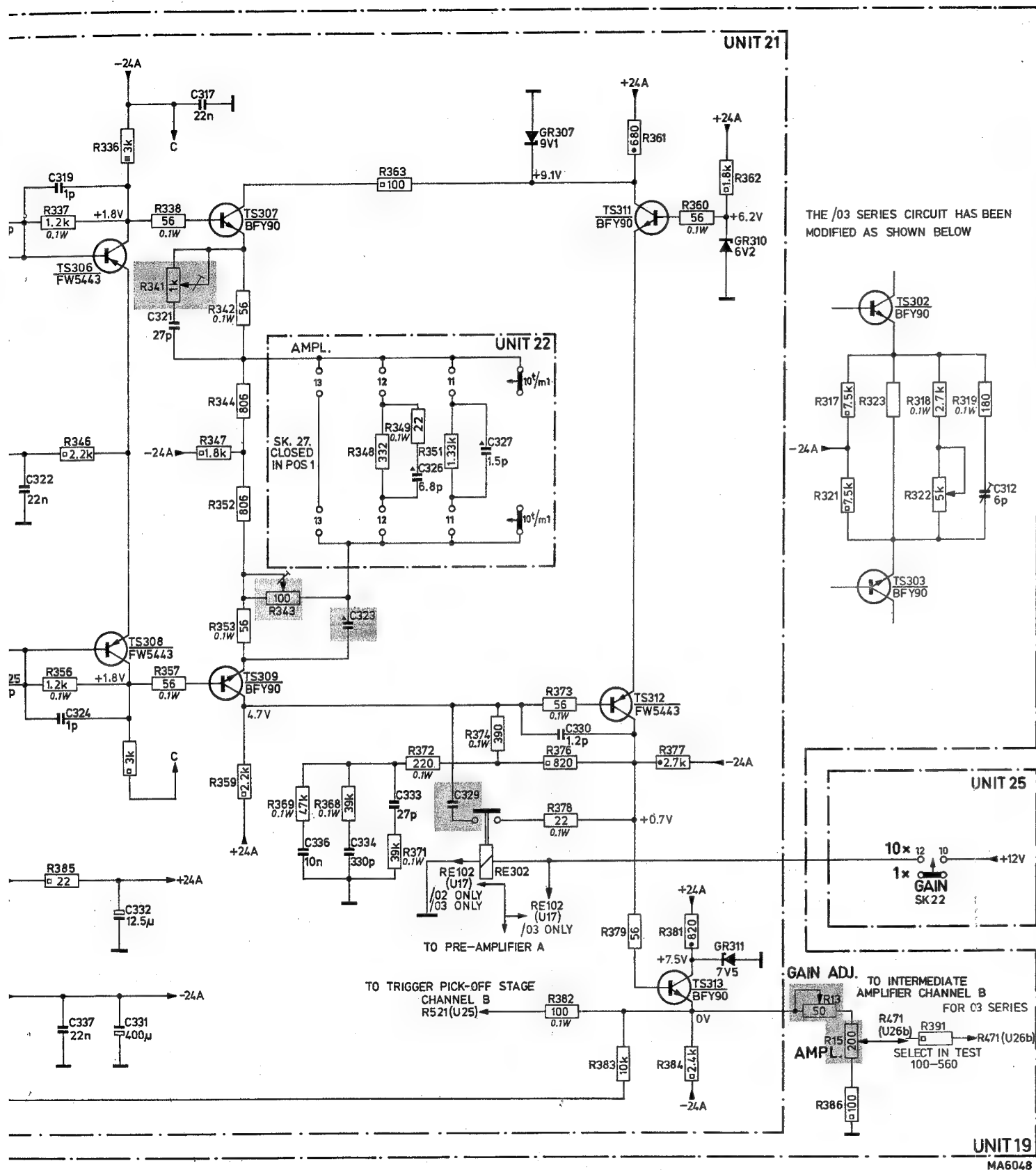
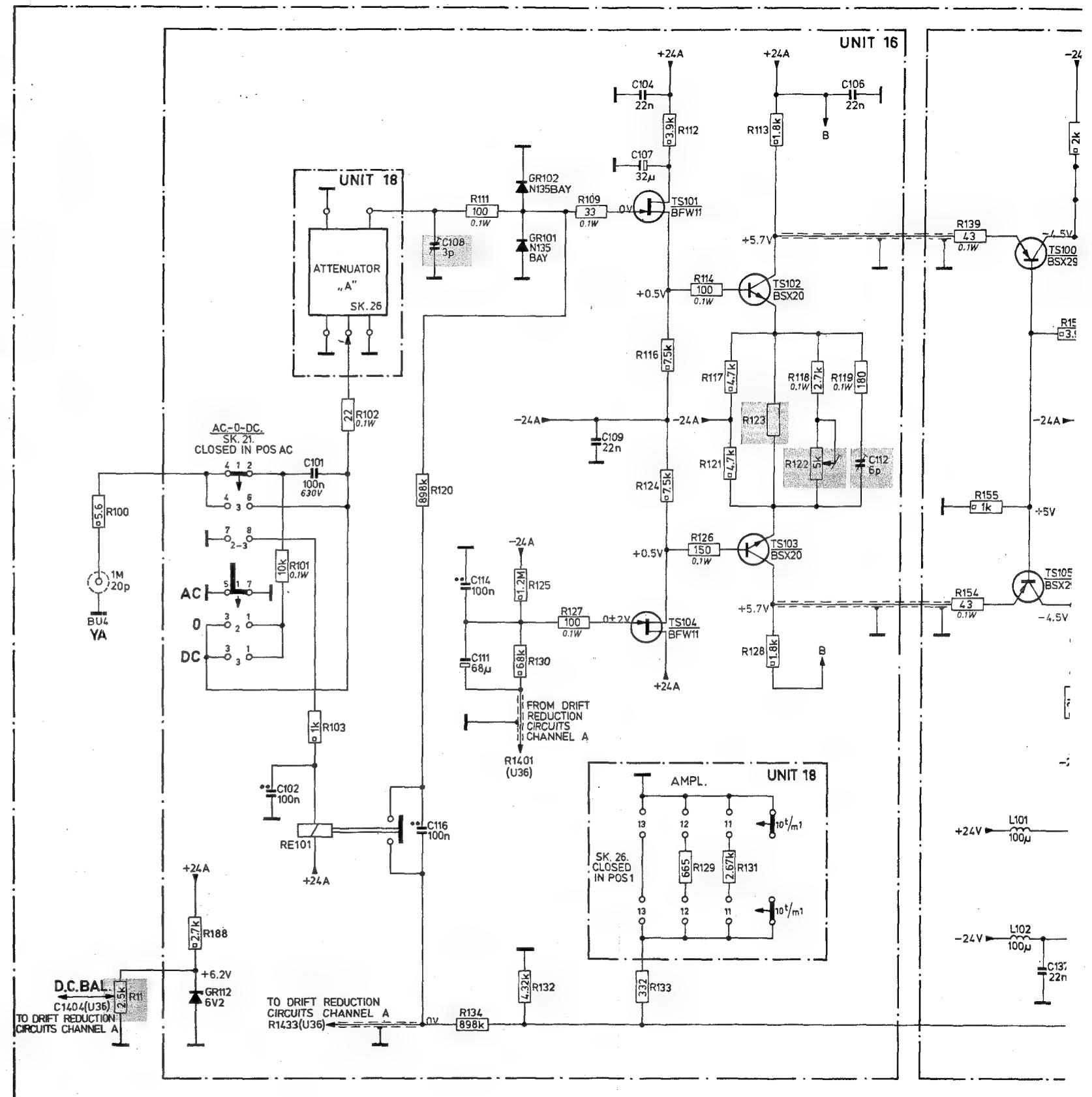


Fig. XIV-4. Circuit diagram



Component location



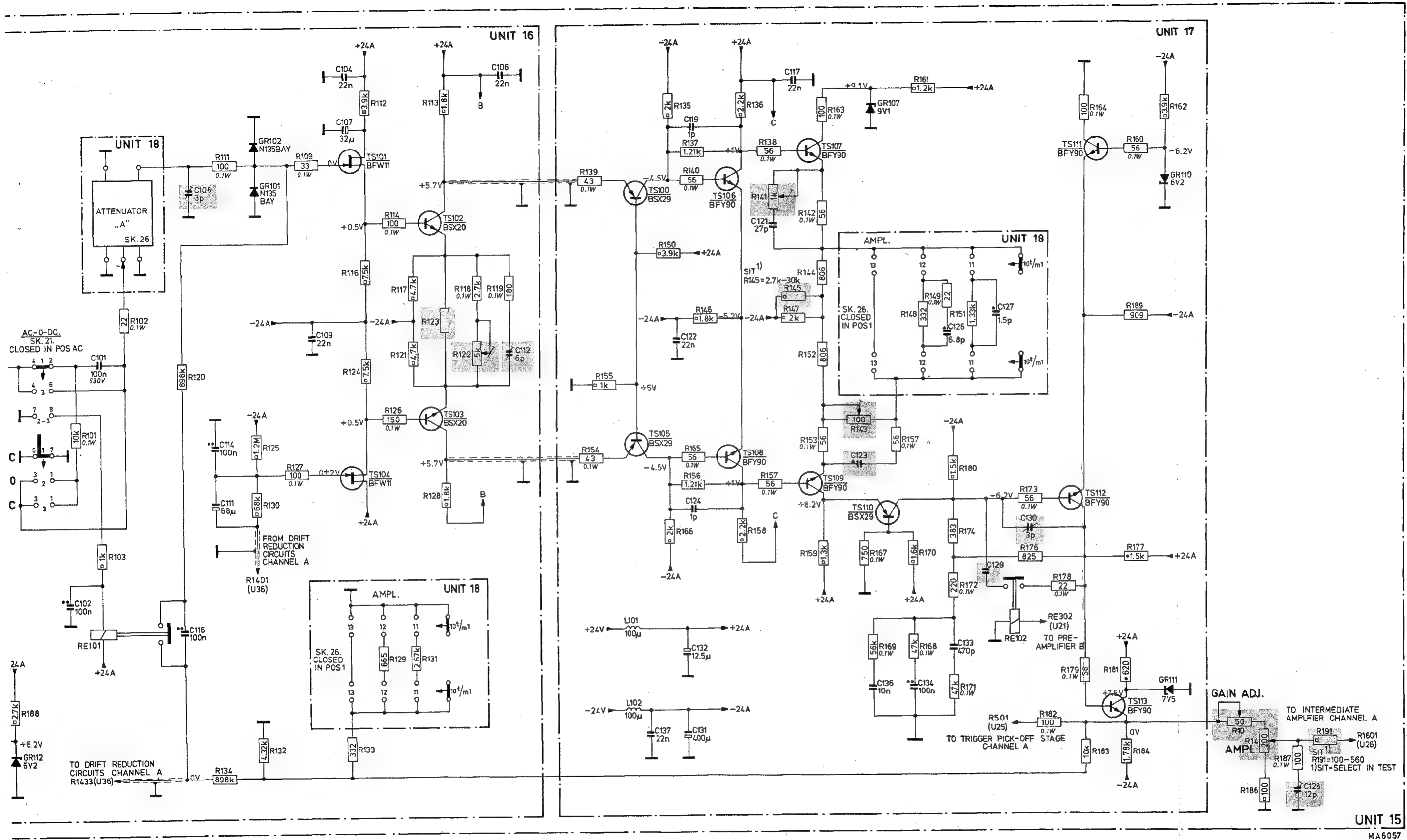


Fig. XIV-5. Circuit diagram

Fig. XIV-6. Circuit diagram

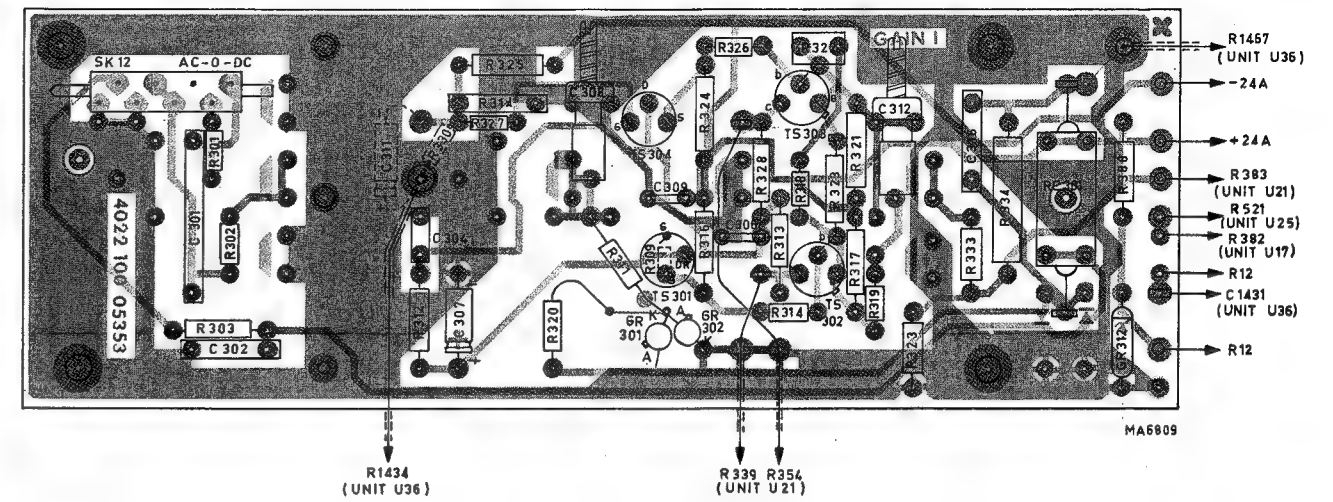
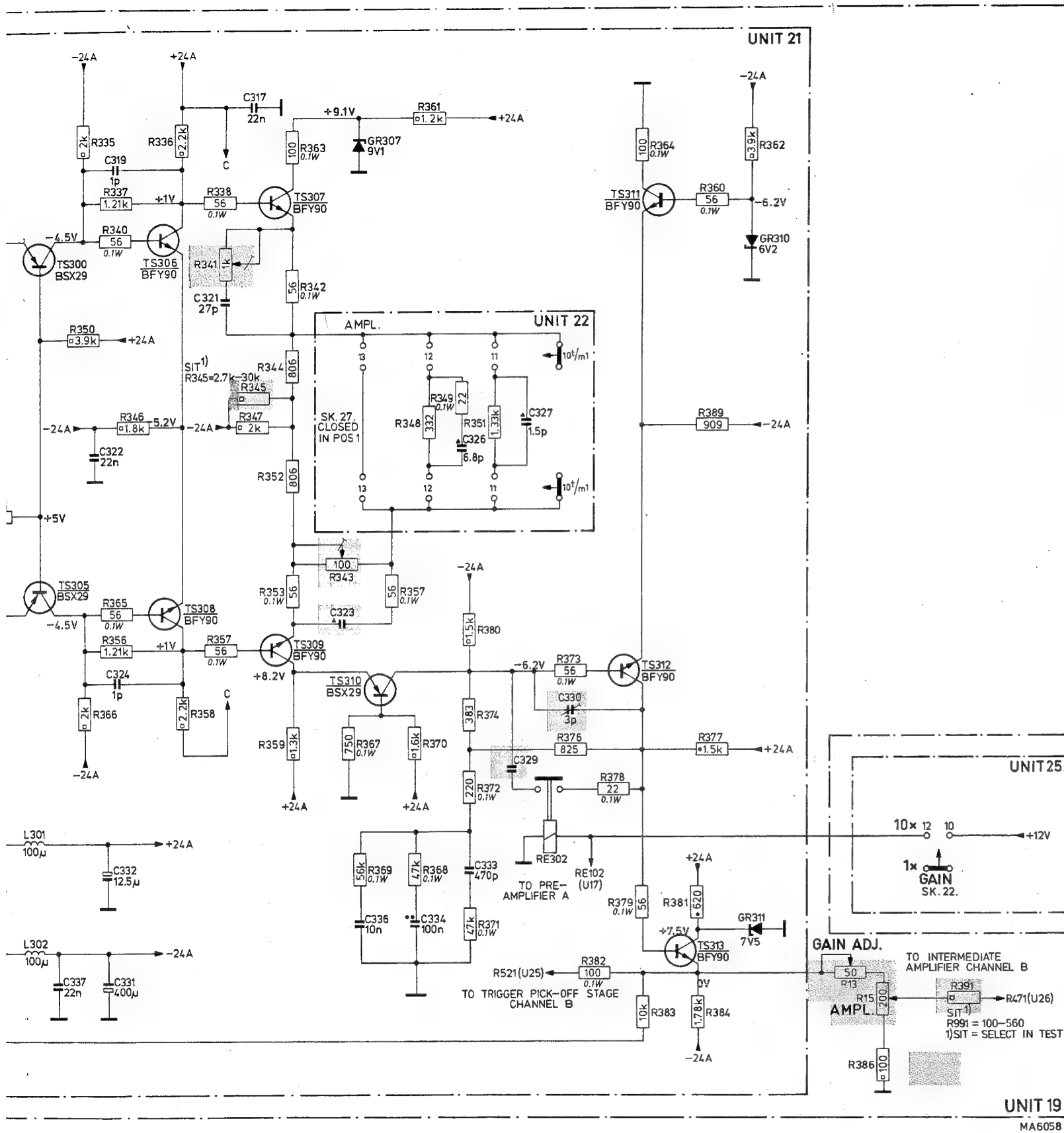


Fig. XIV-6a. Board 1

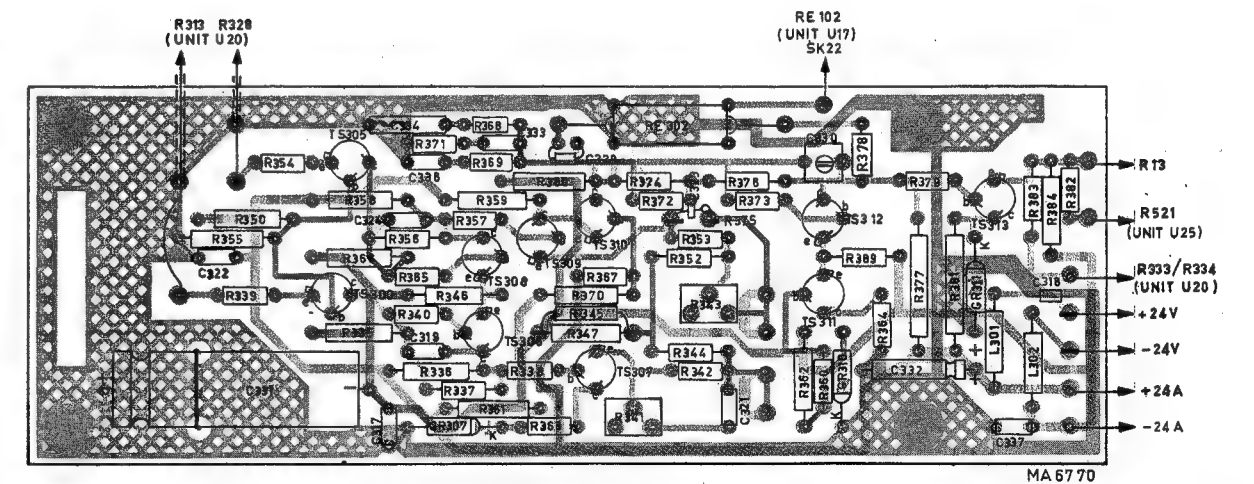
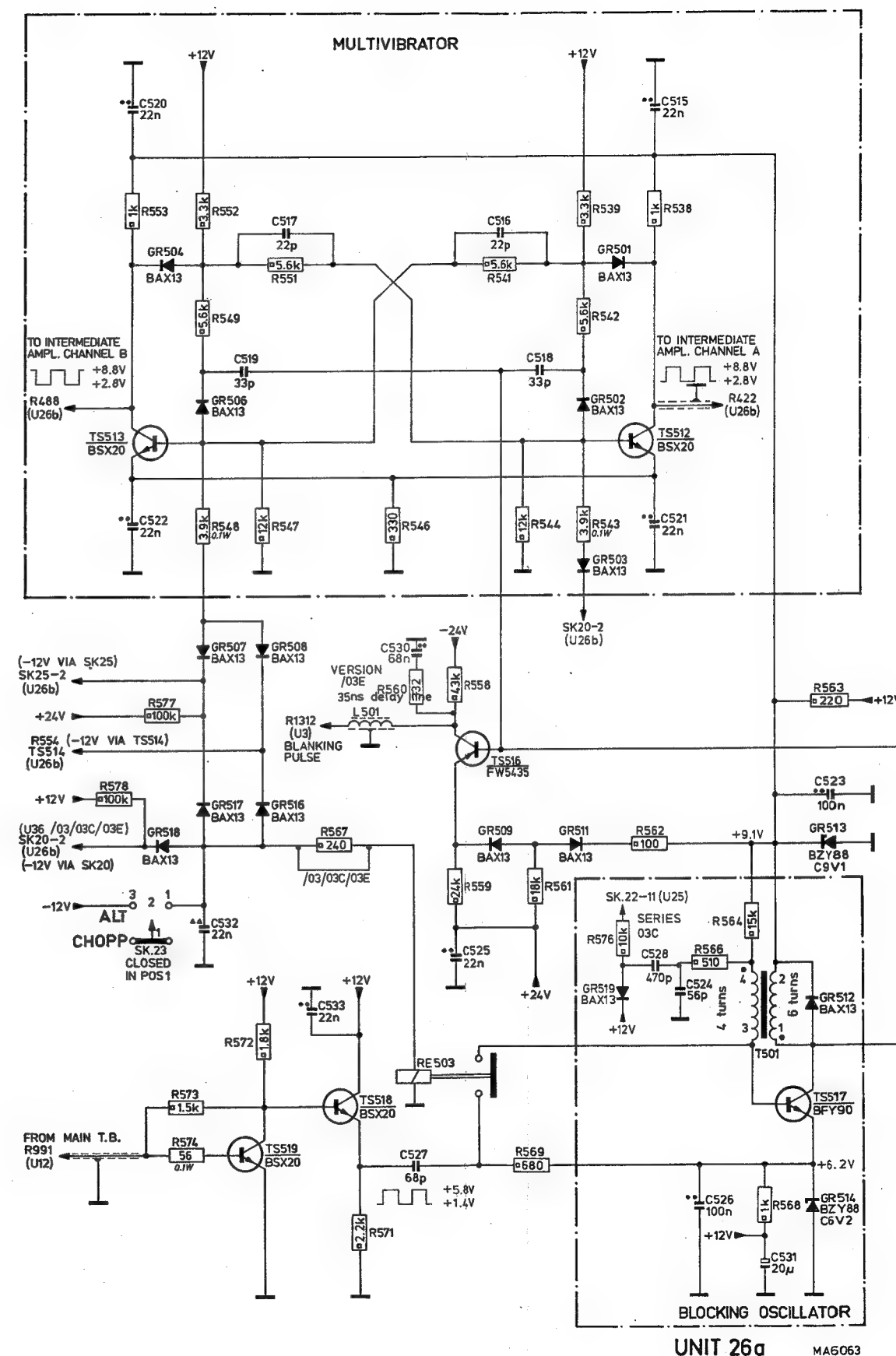


Fig. XIV-6b. Board 2

Component location

Preamplifier B U19, vers. —/03C/03E



XIV-7. Circuit diagram

Electronic switch driver U26a

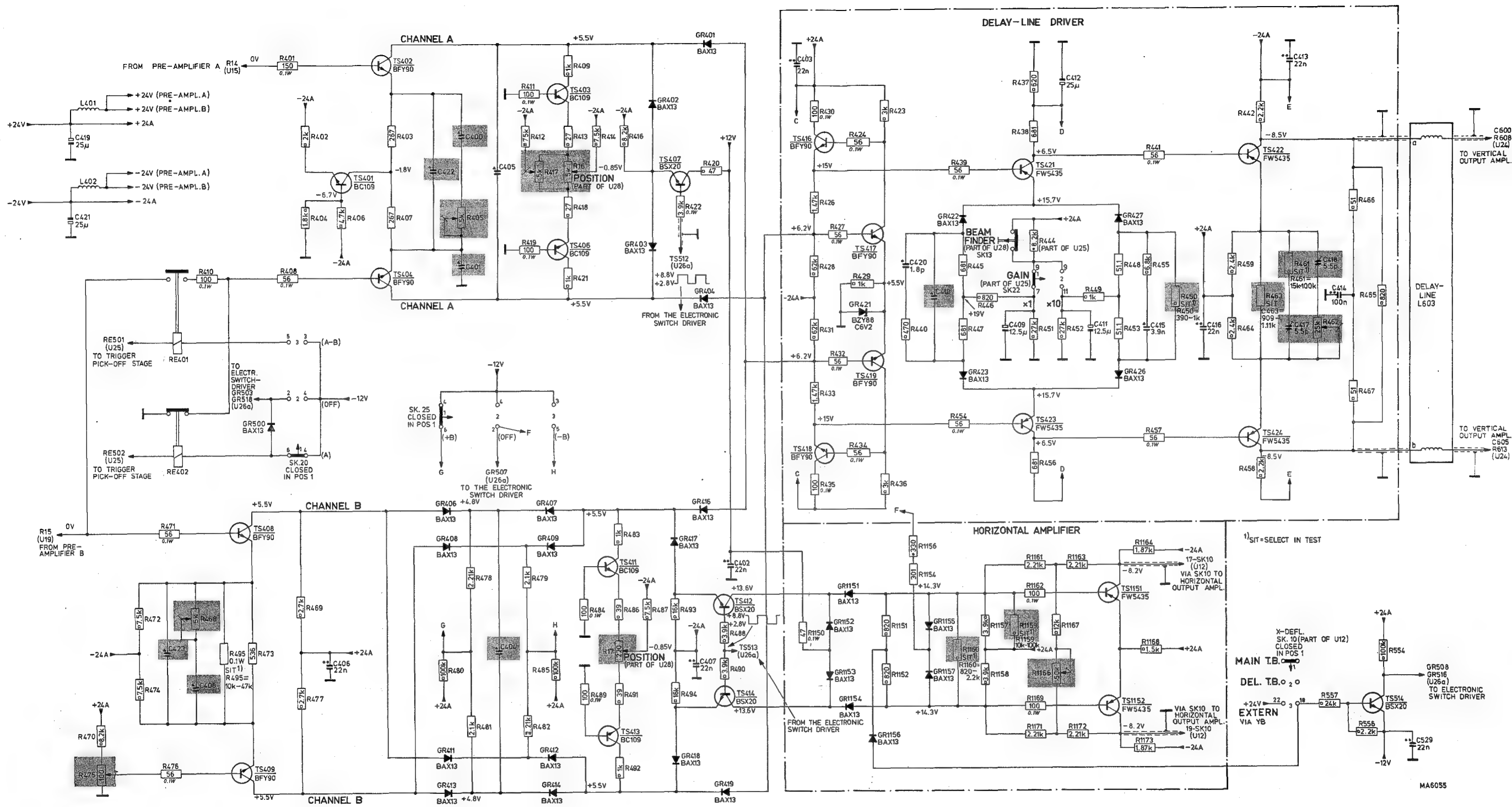


Fig. XIV-8. Circuit diagram

Intermediate amplifier U26b, vers. -/02



Fig. XIV-9. Circuit diagram

Intermediate amplifier U26b, vers. —/03/03C/03E

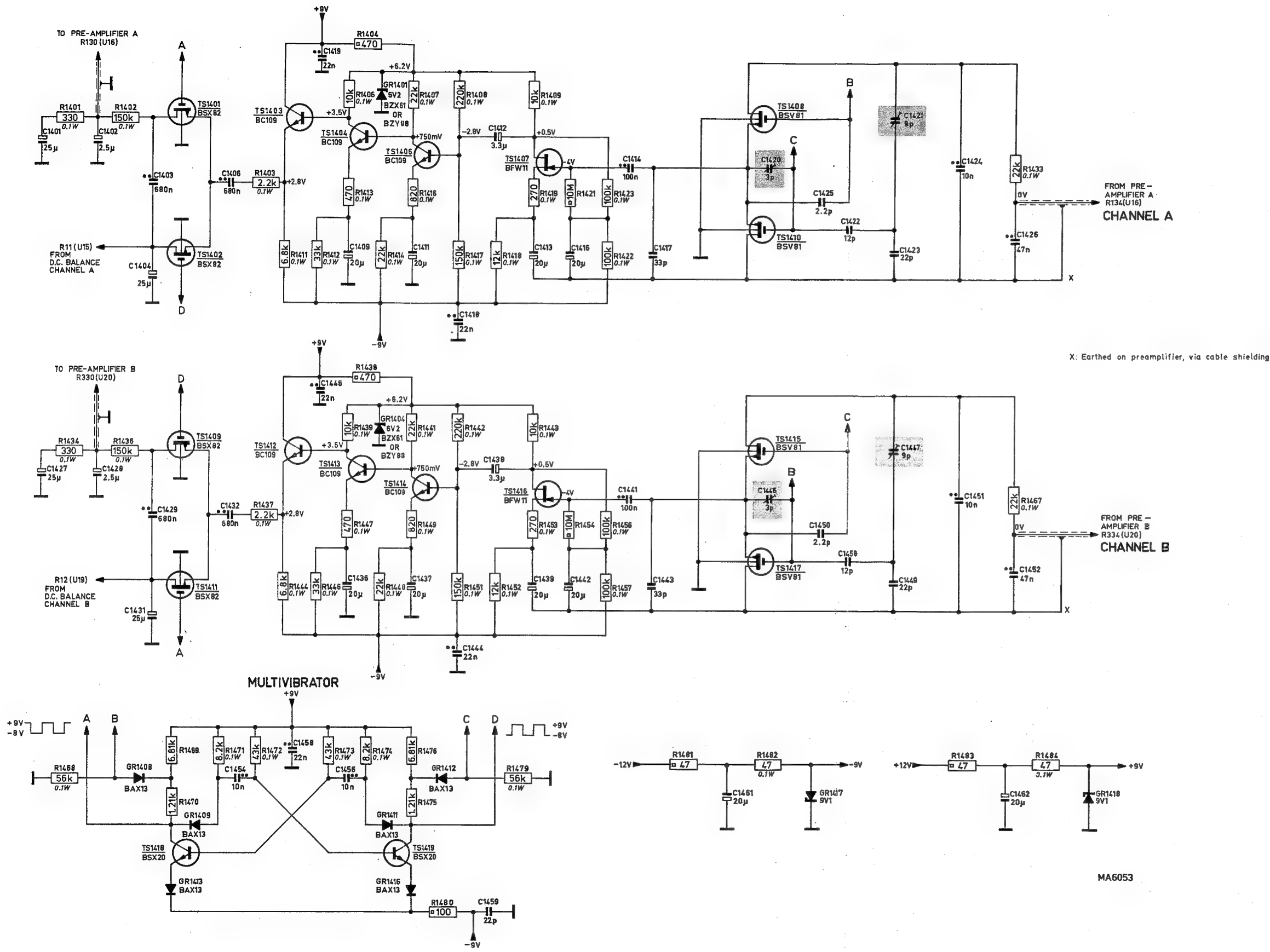
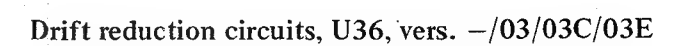


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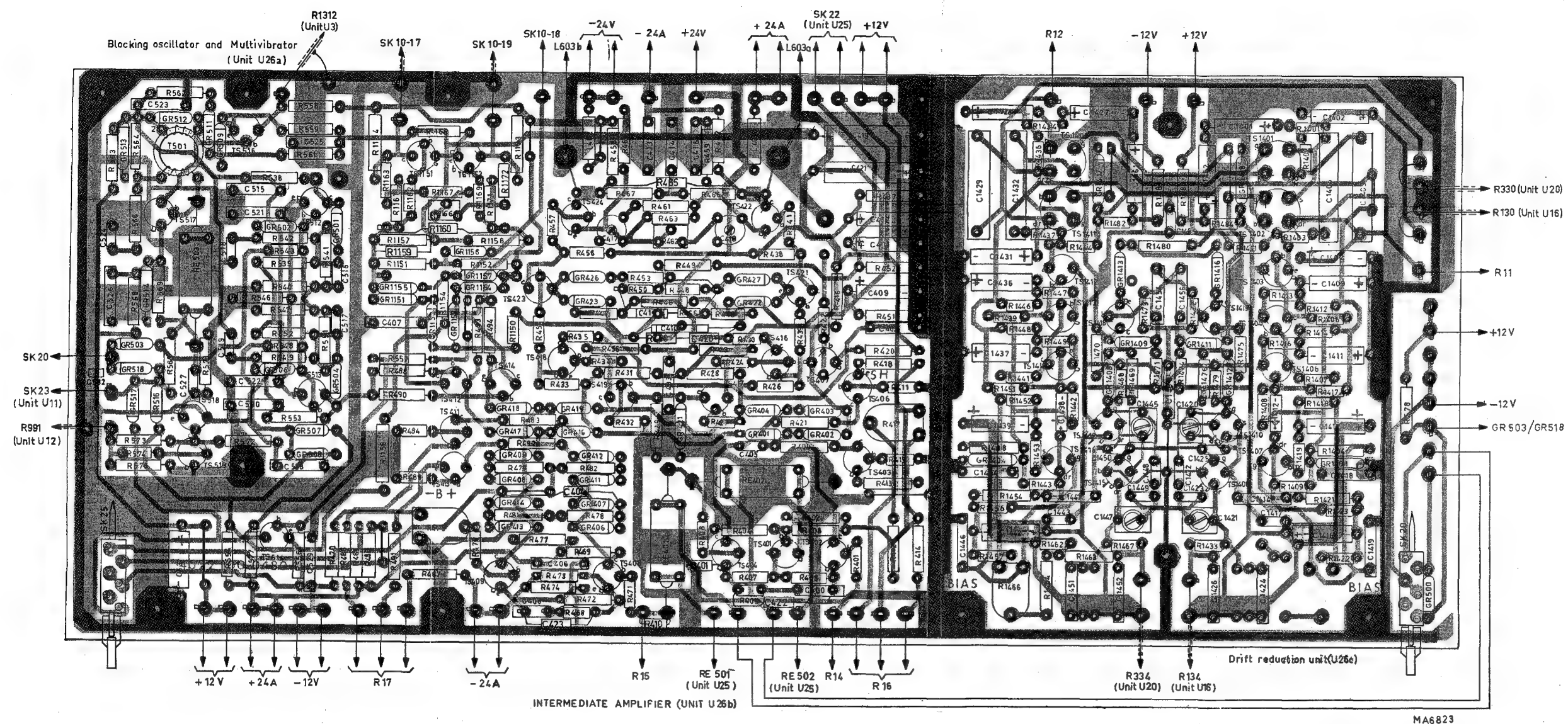


Fig. XIV-12. Component location

Electronic switch driver, intermediate amplifier and drift reduction circuits U26a, b, c, vers. /02

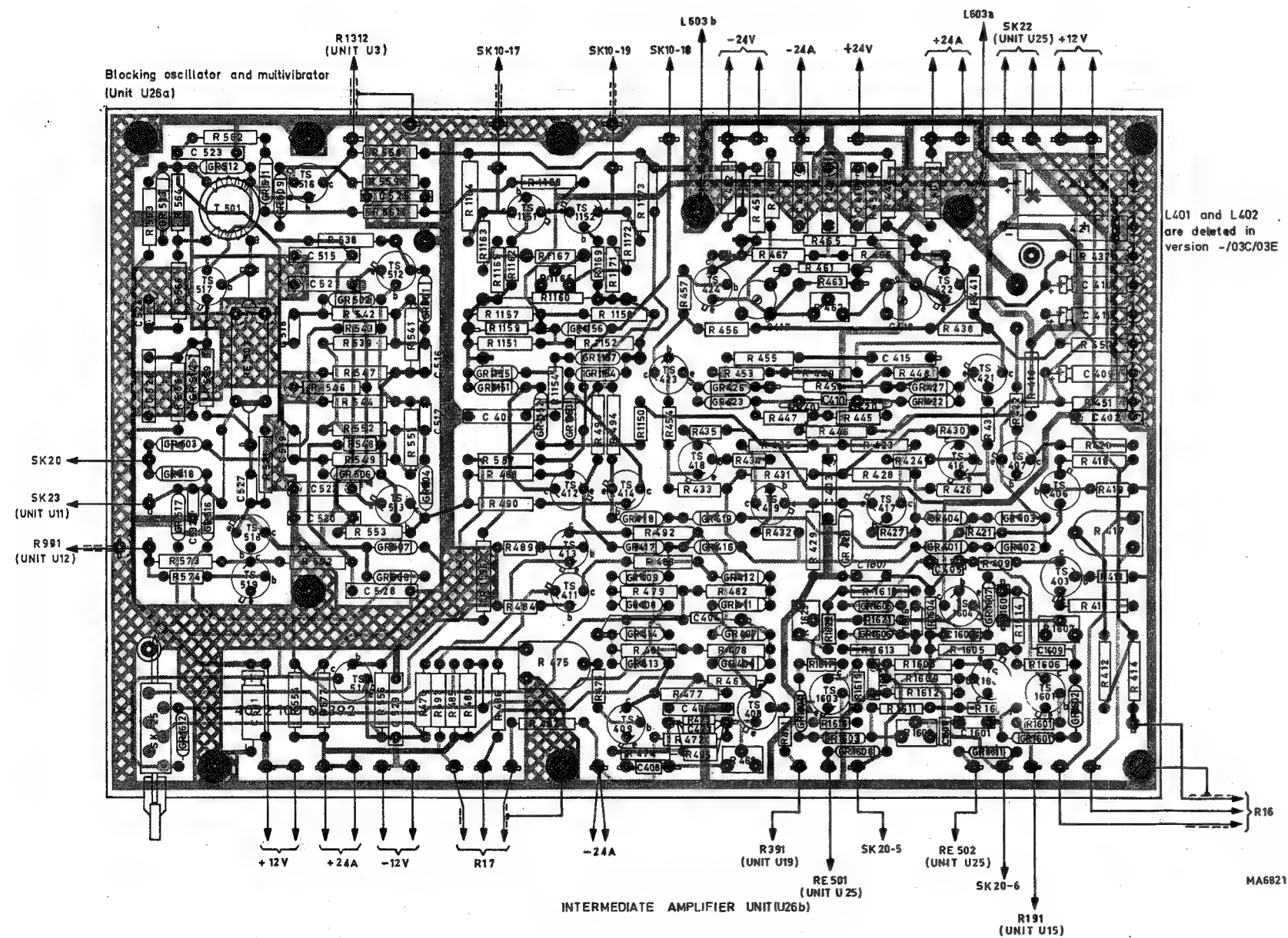


Fig. XIV-13

Electronic switch driver and intermediate amplifier U26a, b

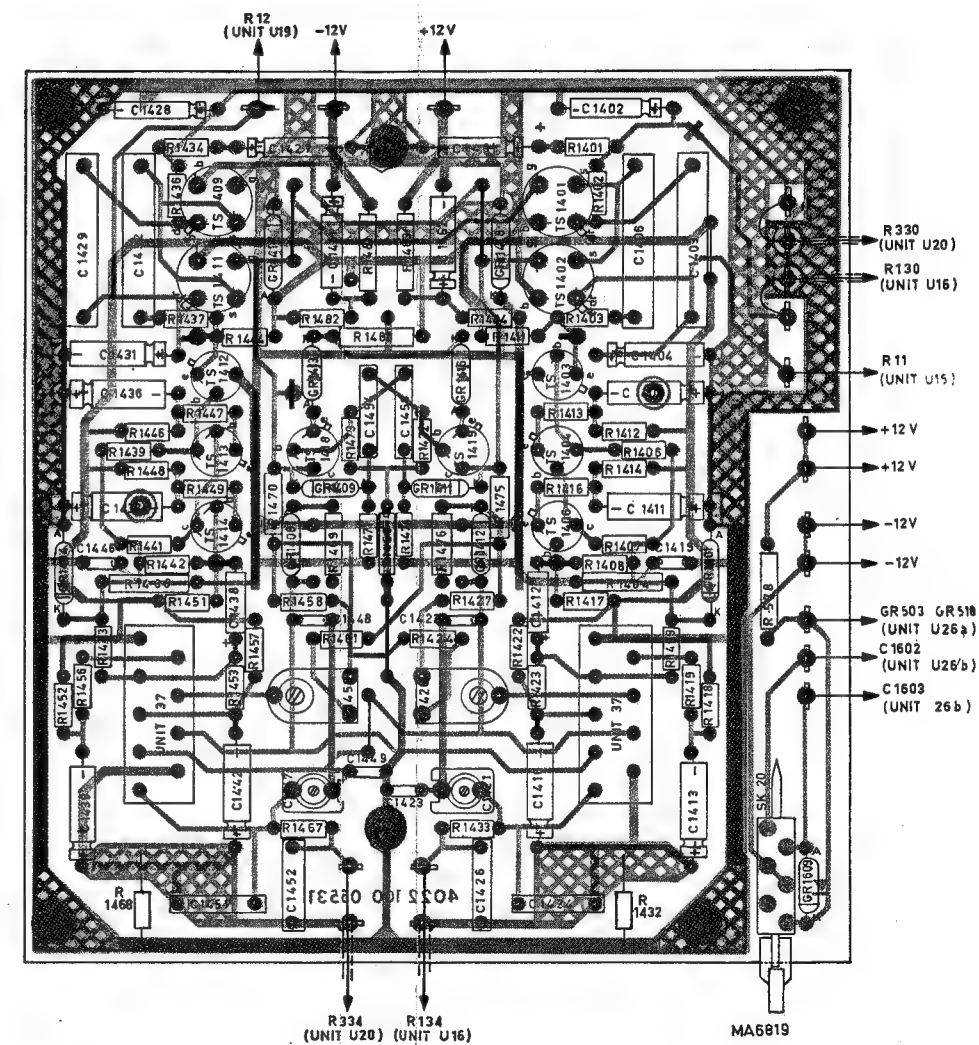


Fig. XIV-13a

Drift reduction circuits U36

Component location vers. -/03/03C/03E

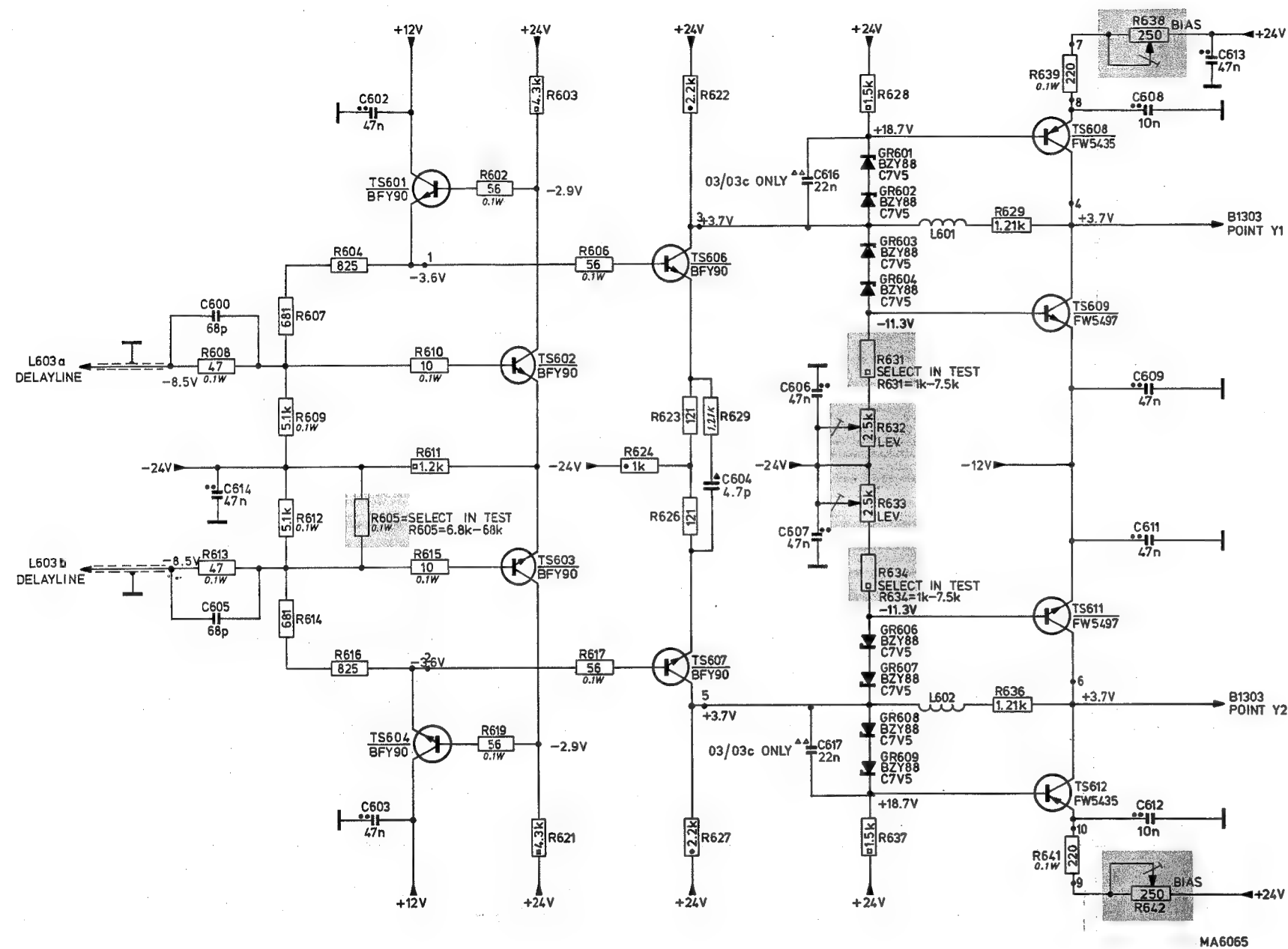


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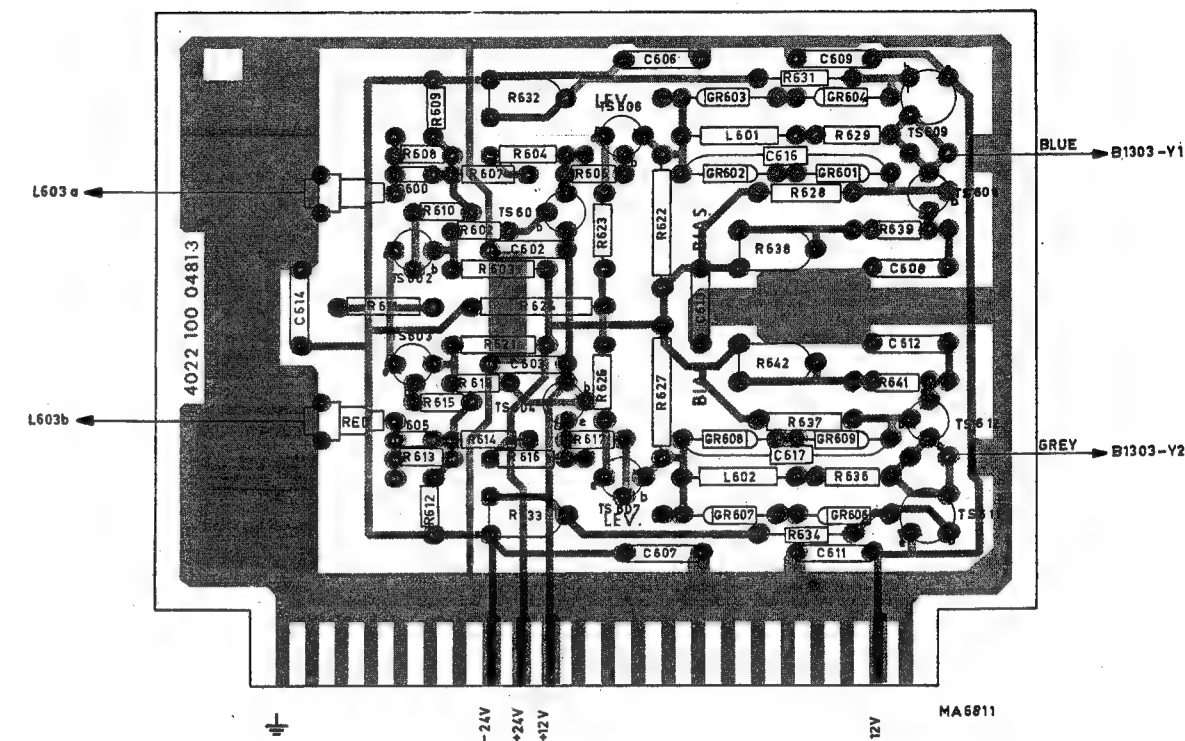


Fig. XIV-14a. Component location

Vertical output amplifier U24

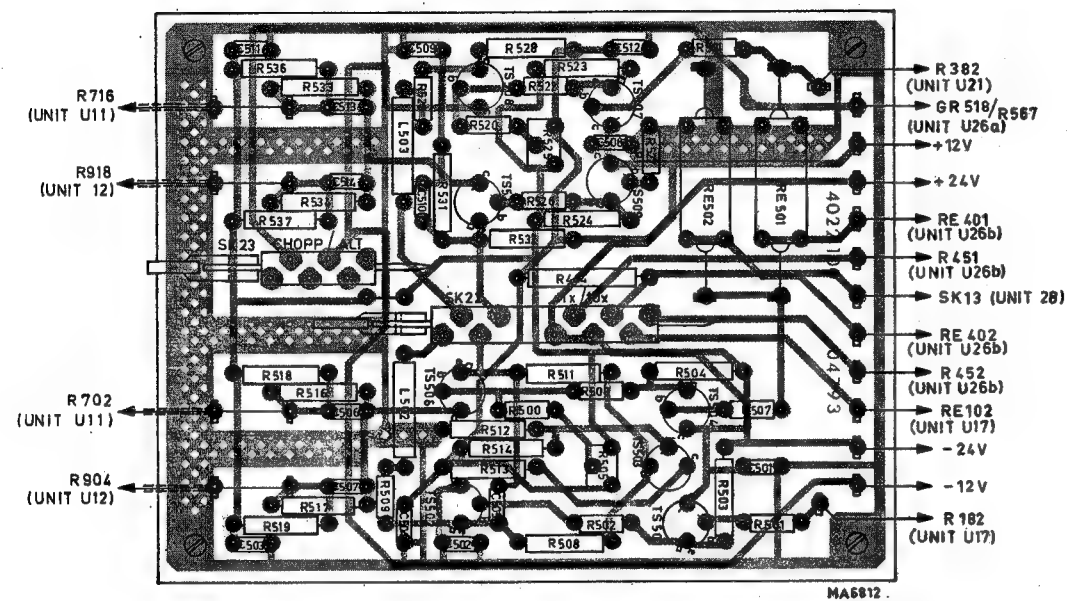


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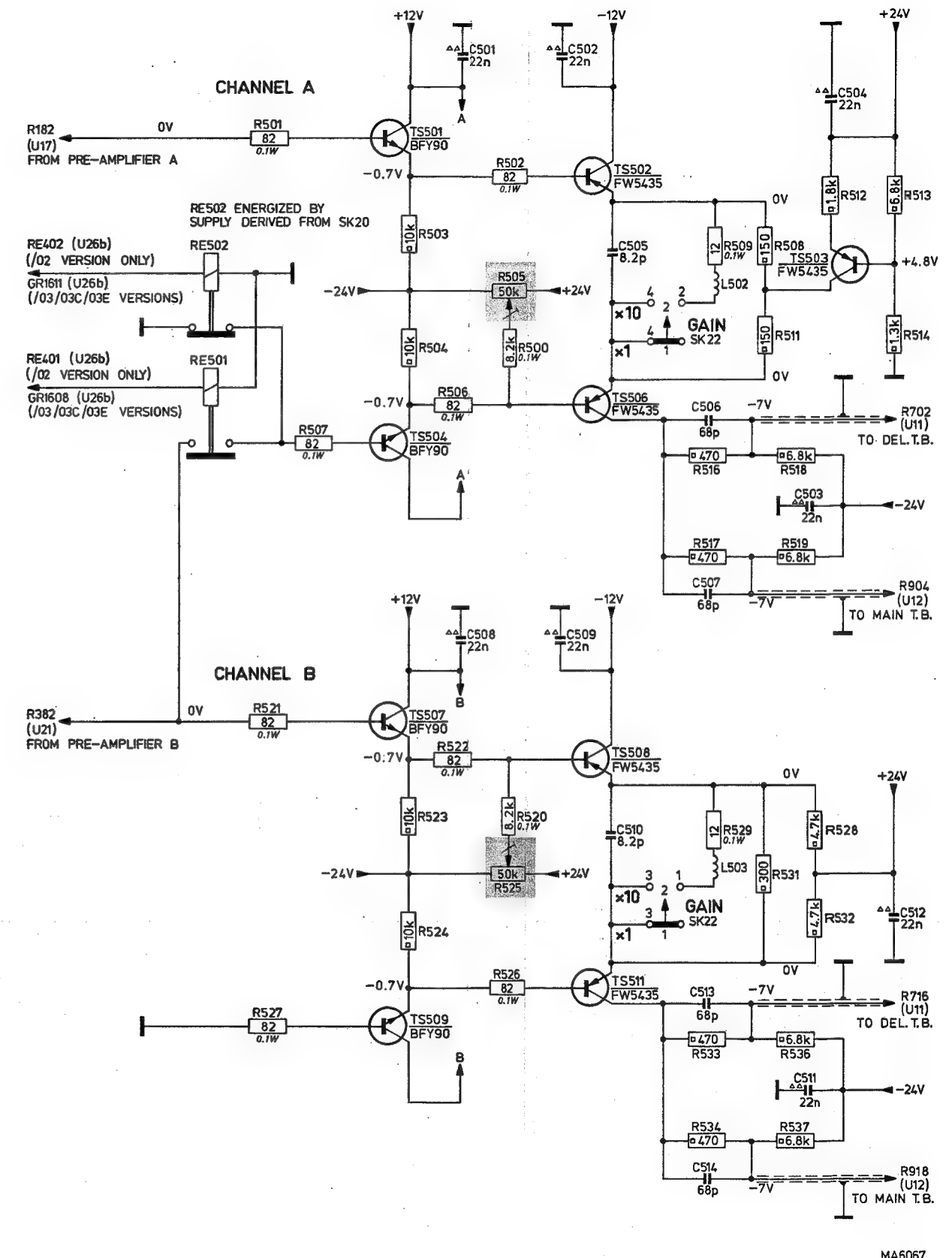


Fig. XIV-15. Circuit diagram

Trigger pick-off stage U25

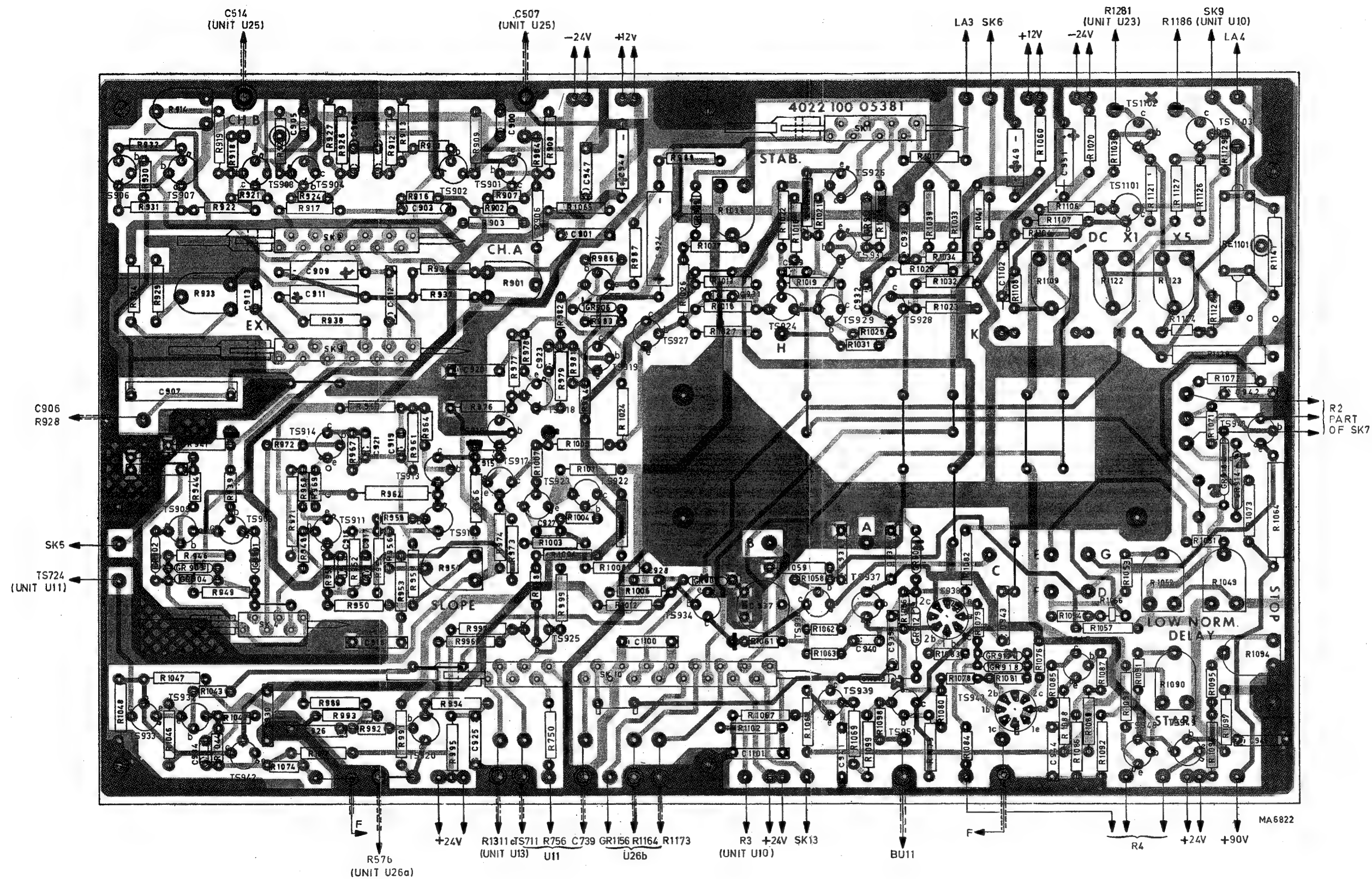


Fig. XIV-16b. Component location

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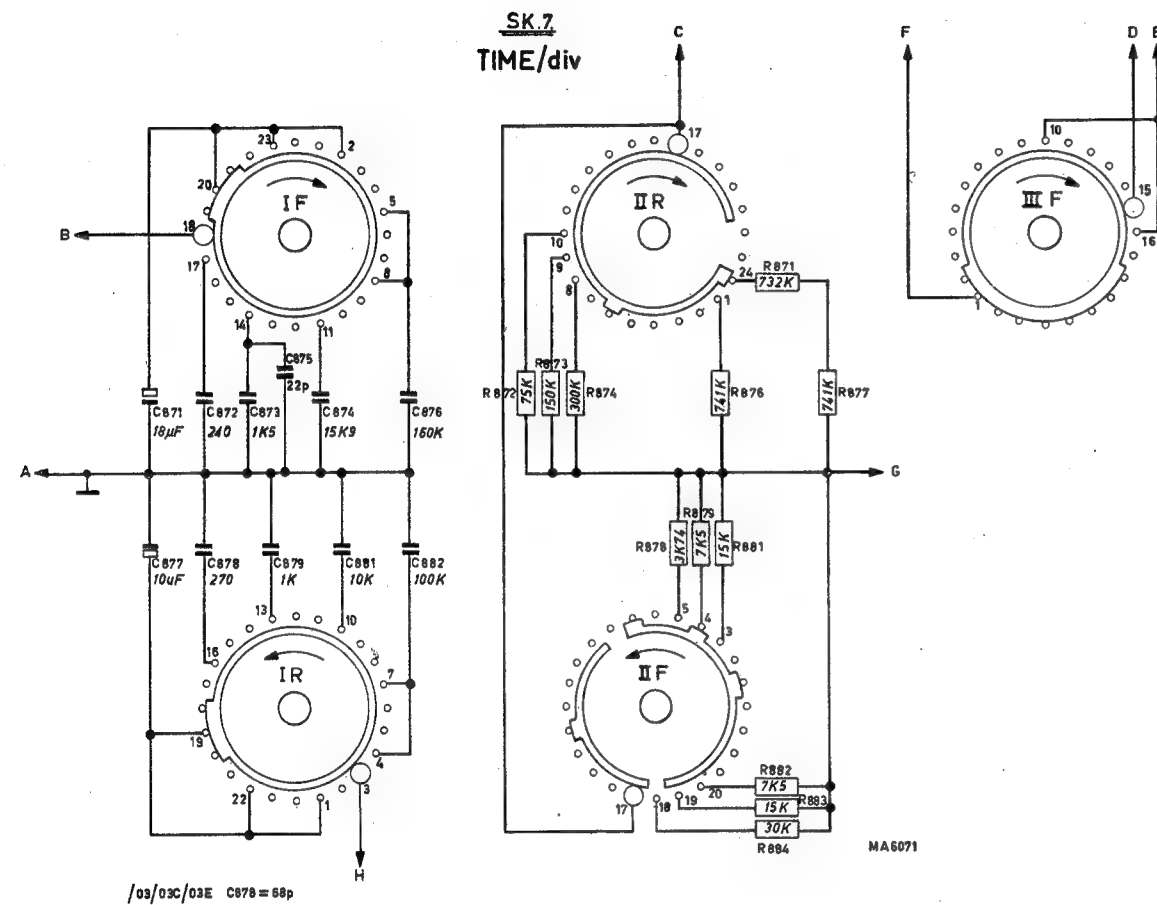
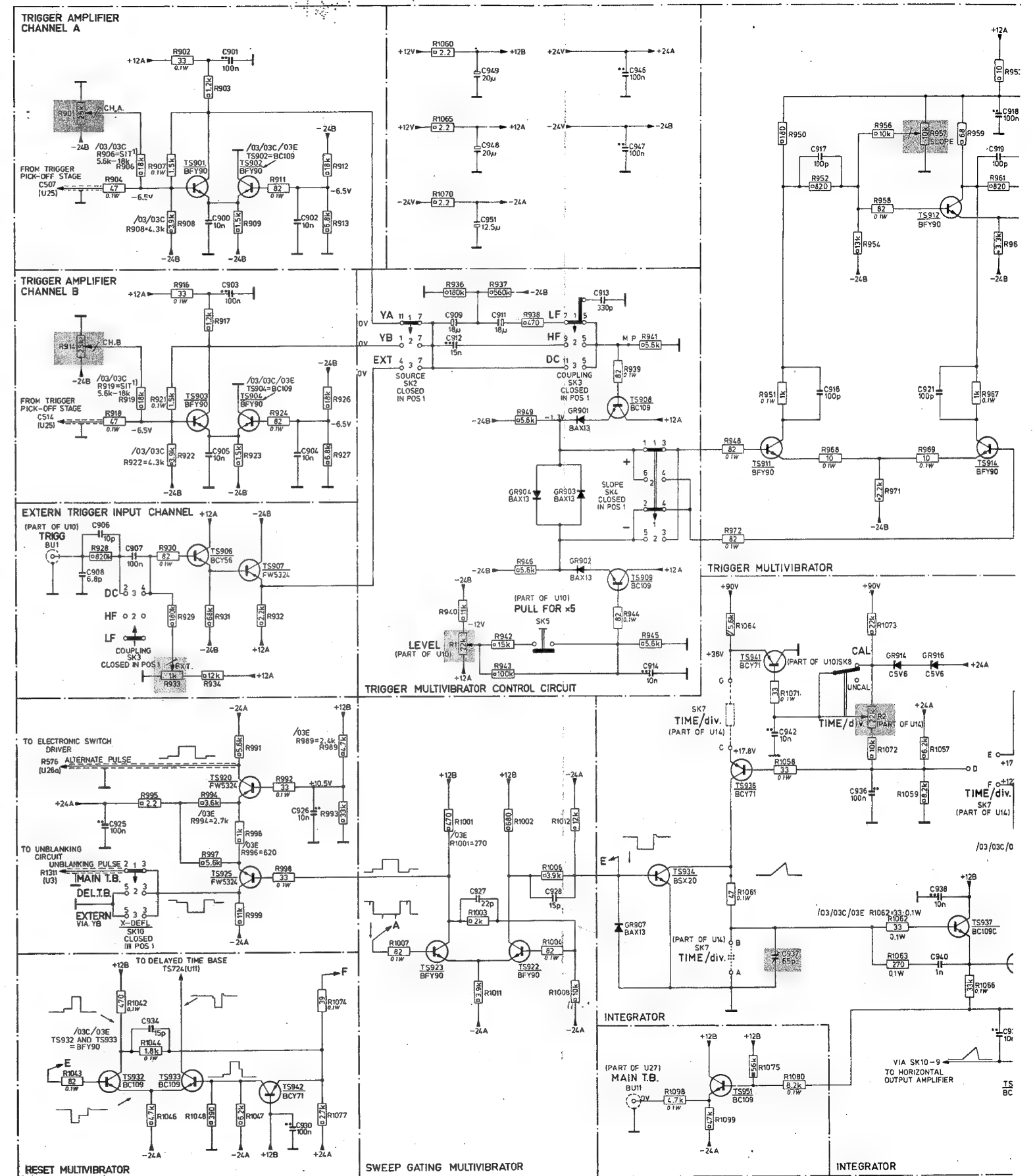


Fig. XIV-16a. Switch SK7



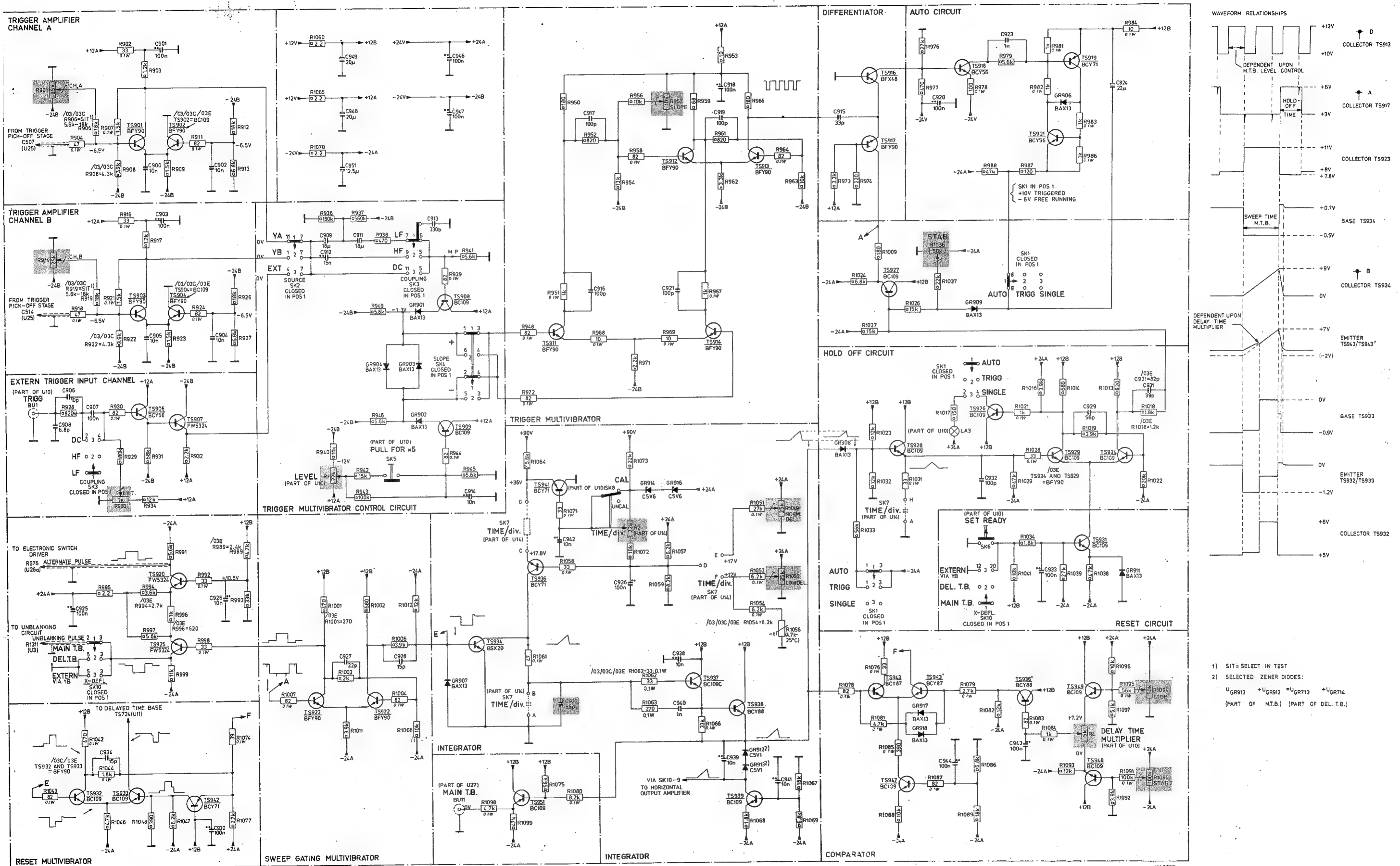


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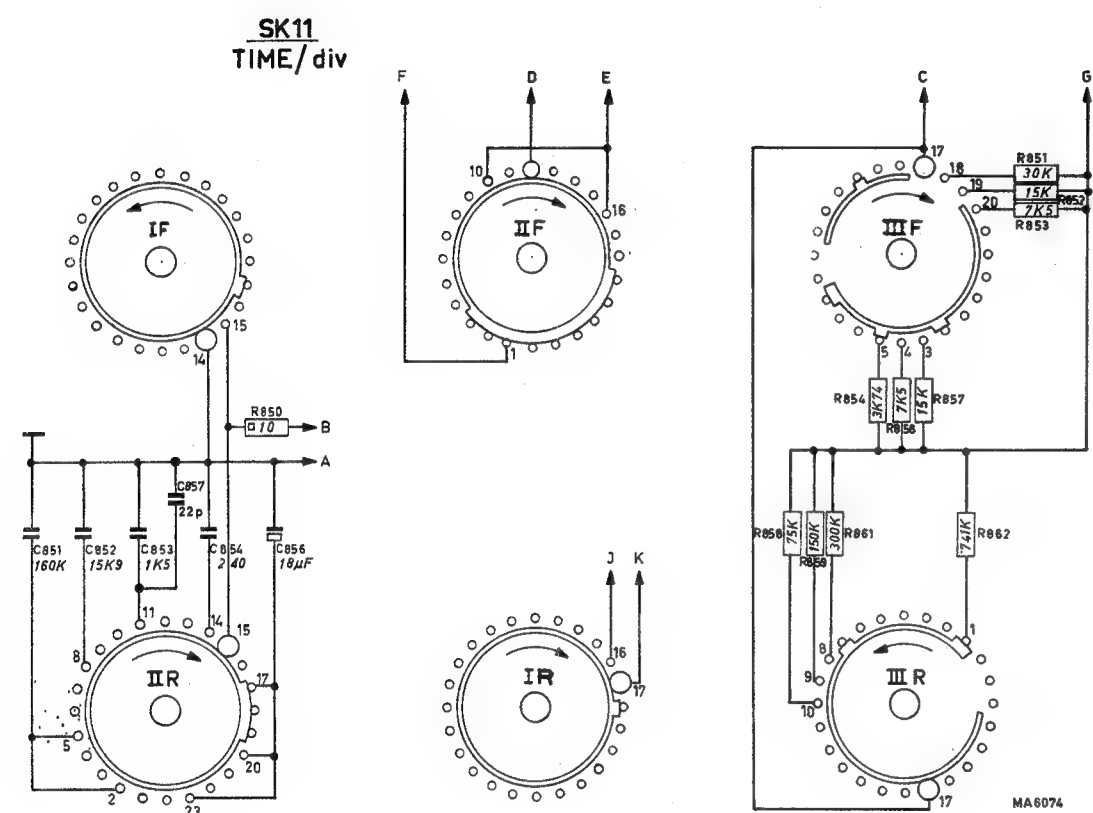


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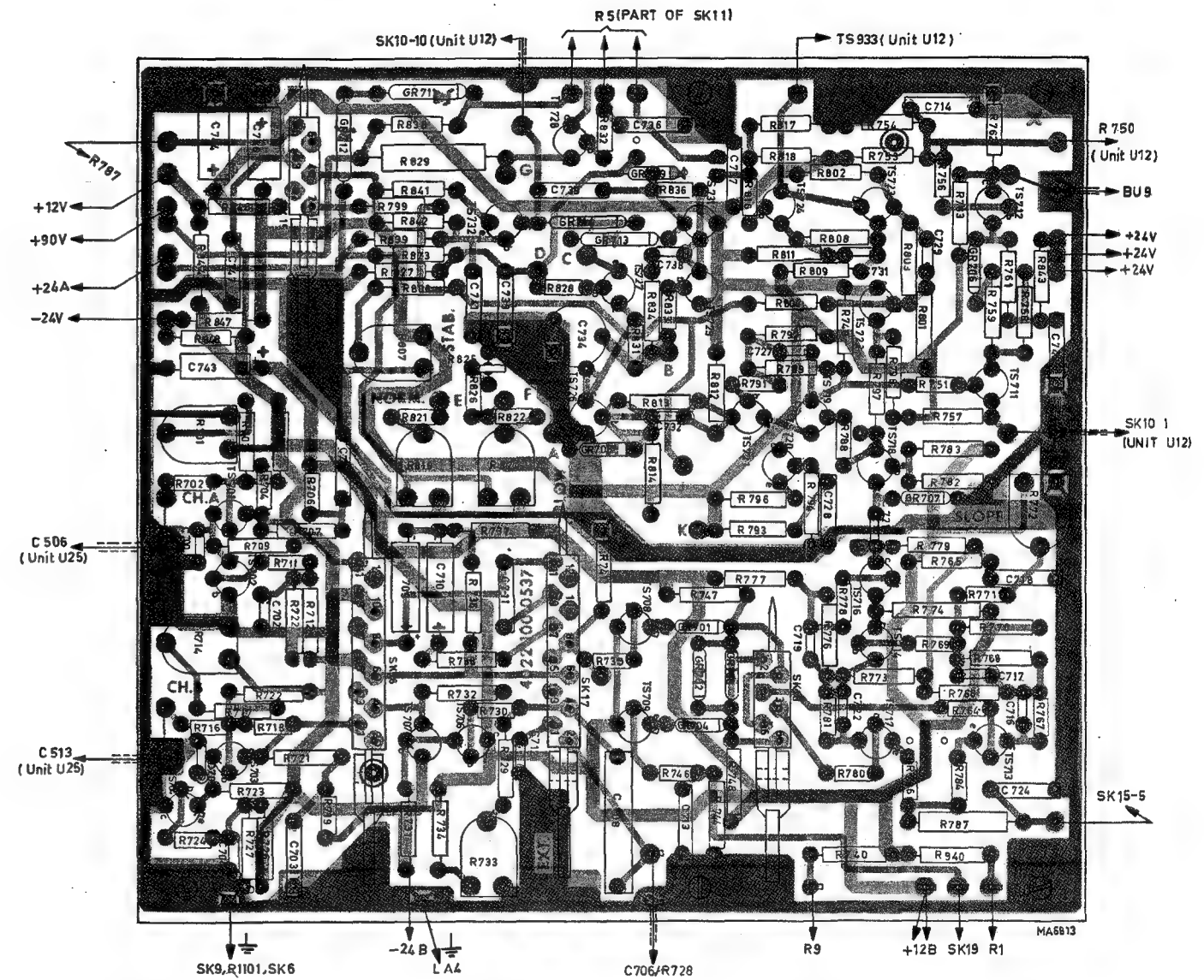


Fig. XIV-17b. Component location

Delayed time-base U11

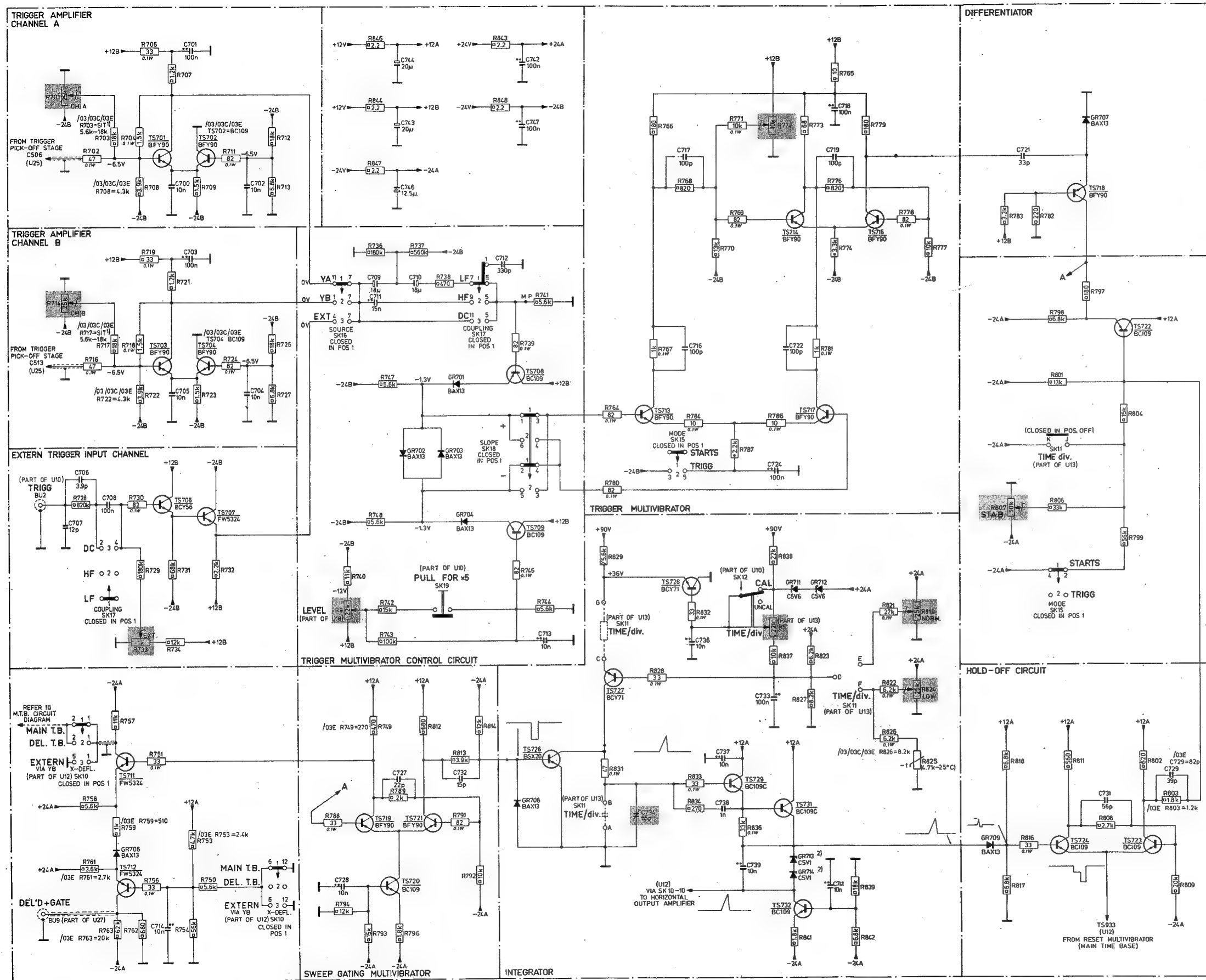


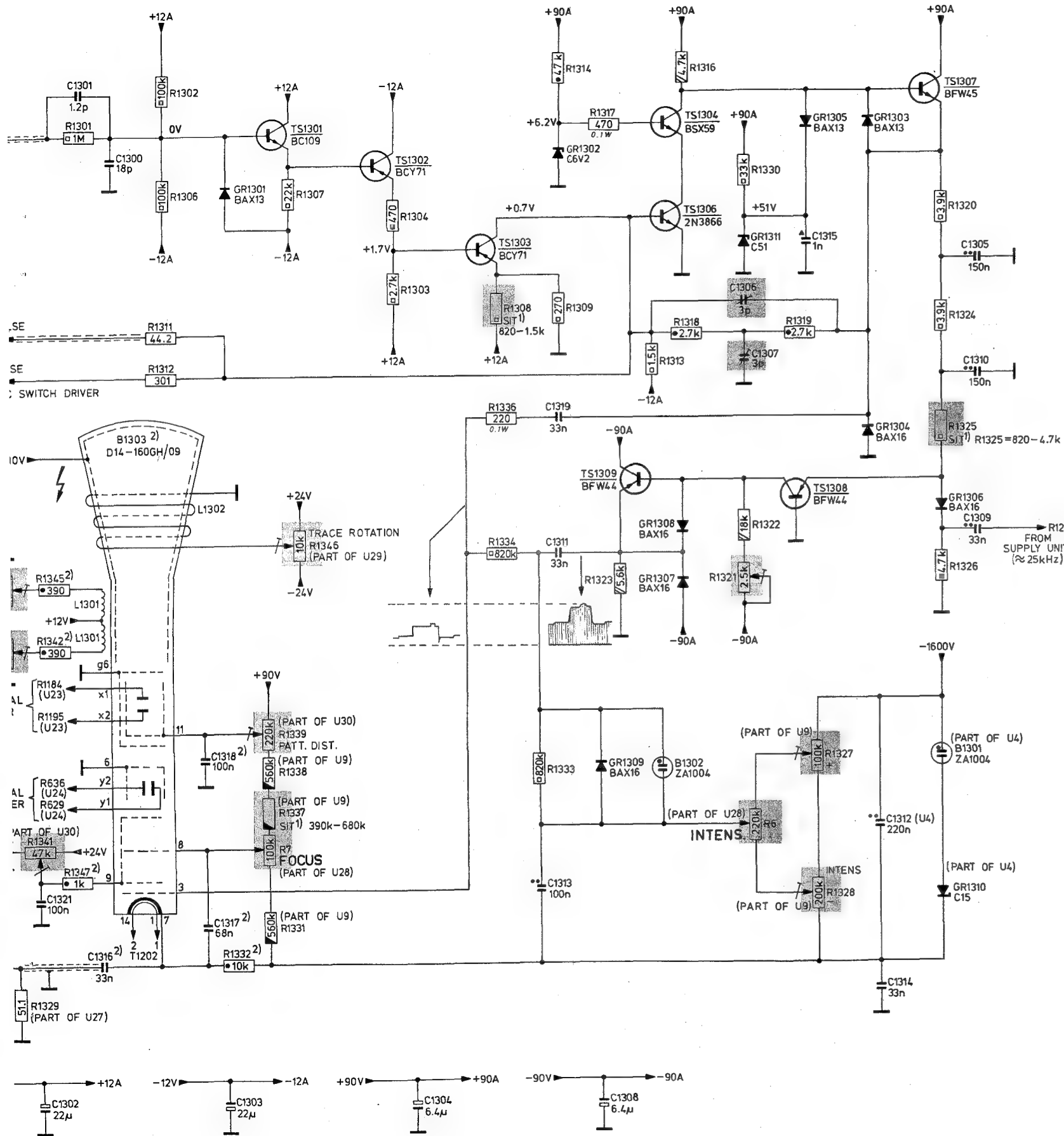
Fig. XIV-17. Circuit diagram



Horizontal output amplifier U23







COLLECTOR TS917
M.T.B.
(U12)

UNBLANKING PULSE
R1311
(FROM SK10-2 U12)
DEL.T.B. TIME/div. SWITCH SK11
IS SET TO OFF

UNBLANKING PULSE
R1311
(FROM SK10-2 U12)
DEL.T.B. TIME/div. SWITCH SK11
AT A SETTING OTHER THAN OFF

BLANKING PULSE
R1312
(FROM U26a VIA L501)

COLLECTOR TS1304
DEL.T.B. TIME/div. SWITCH SK11
IS SET TO OFF

COLLECTOR TS1304
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AT A SETTING OTHER THAN OFF

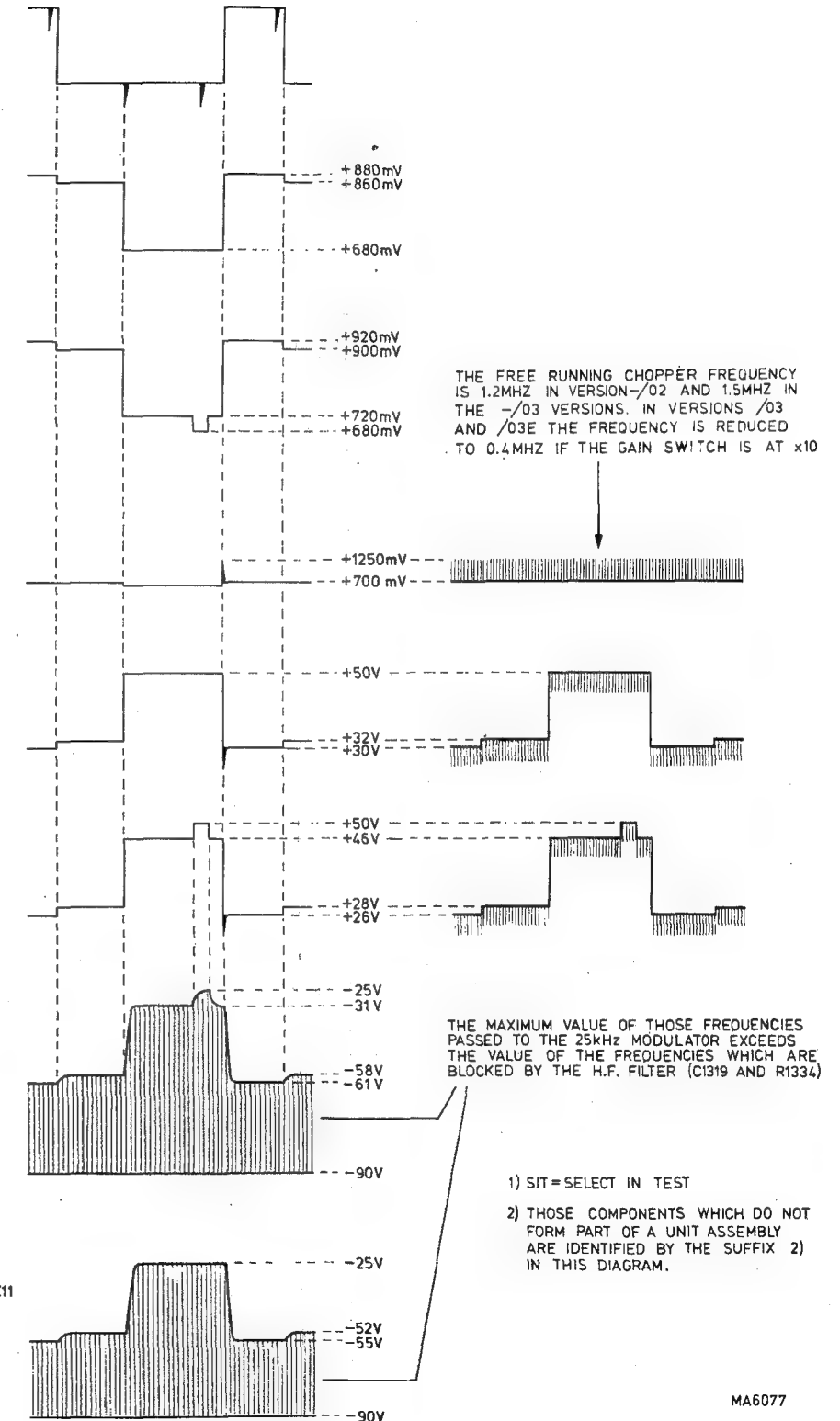
BASE TS1309
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ALT.-CHOPP. SWITCH SK23:

SK23 SET TO ALT.

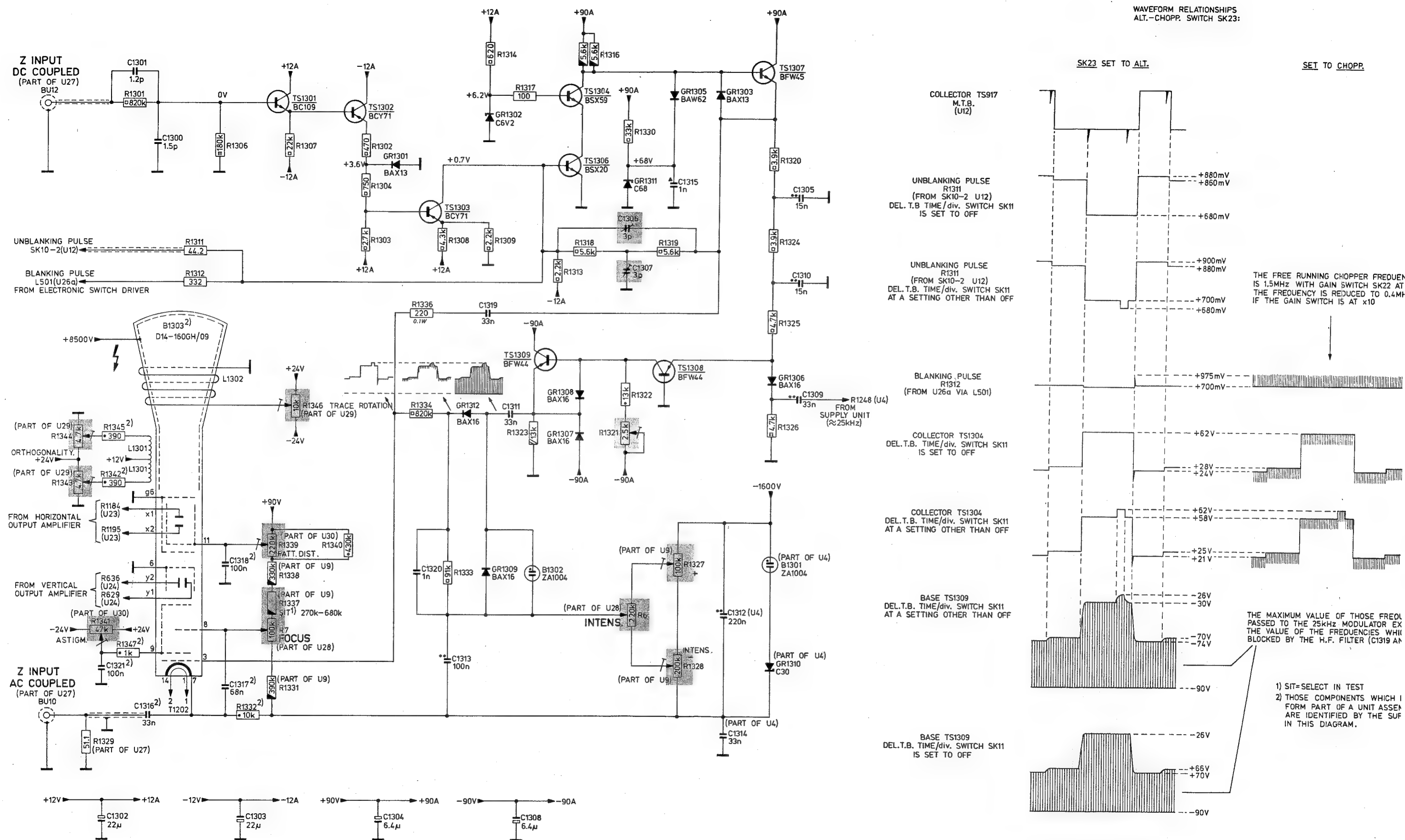
SK23 SET TO CHOPP.



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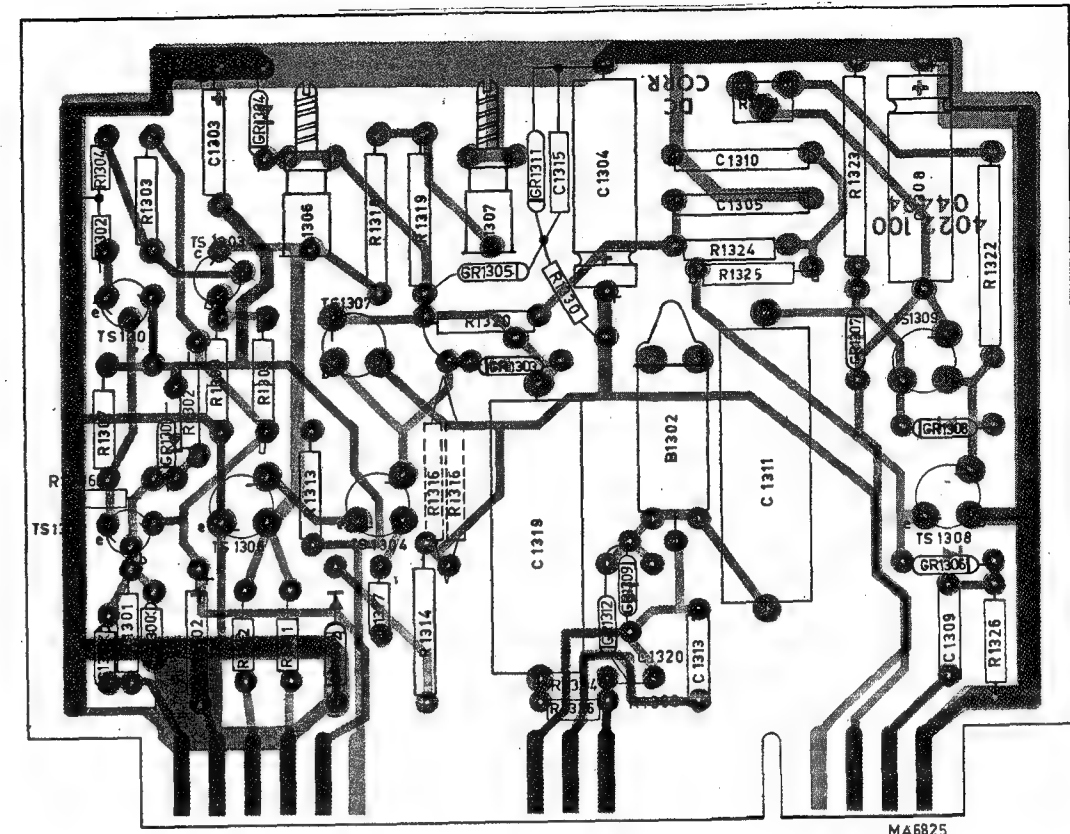
Fig. XIV-19. Circuit diagram

Unblanking (U3) and c.r.t. circuit, vers. -/02/03/03C





SET TO CHOPP.



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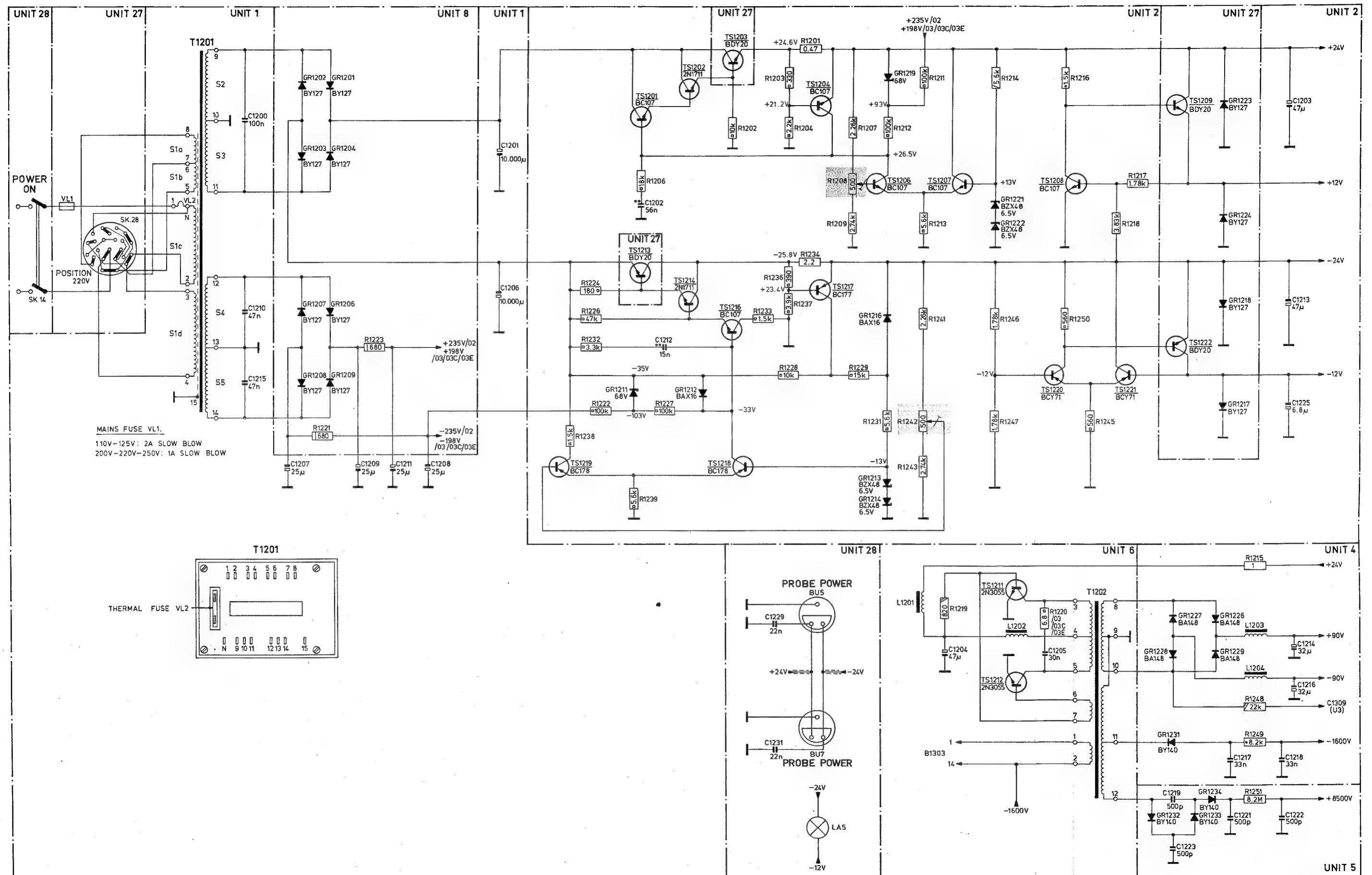


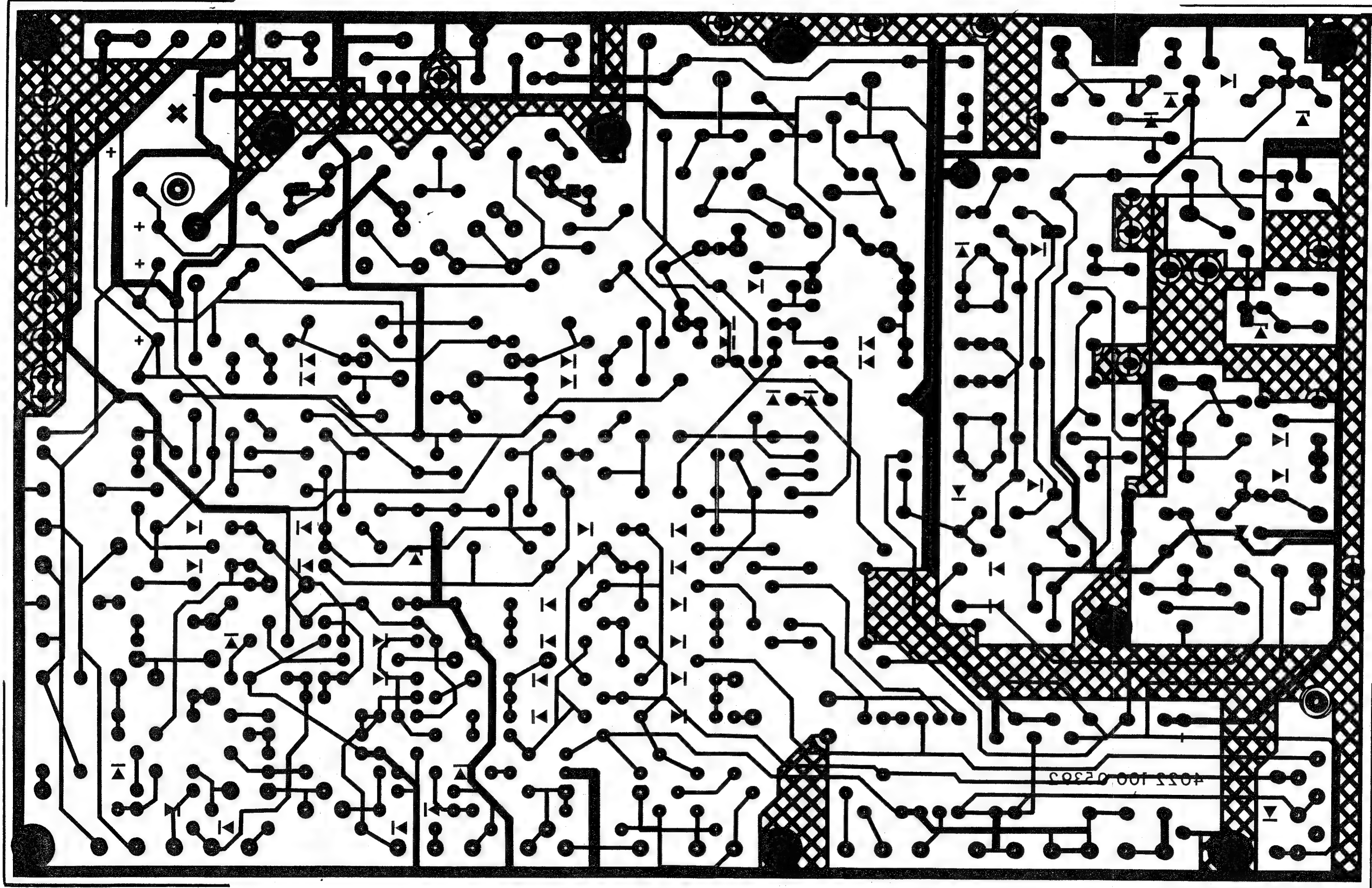


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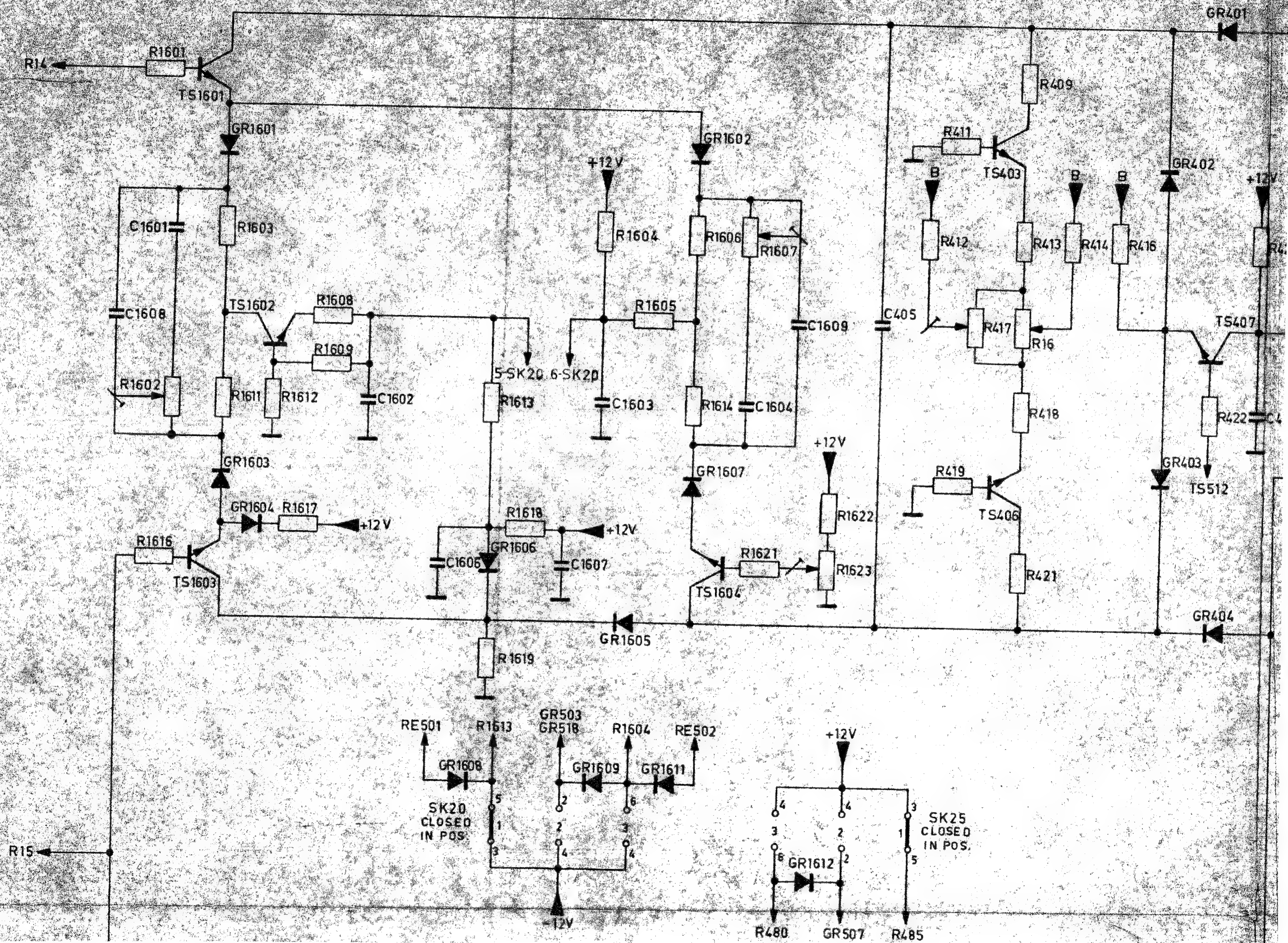
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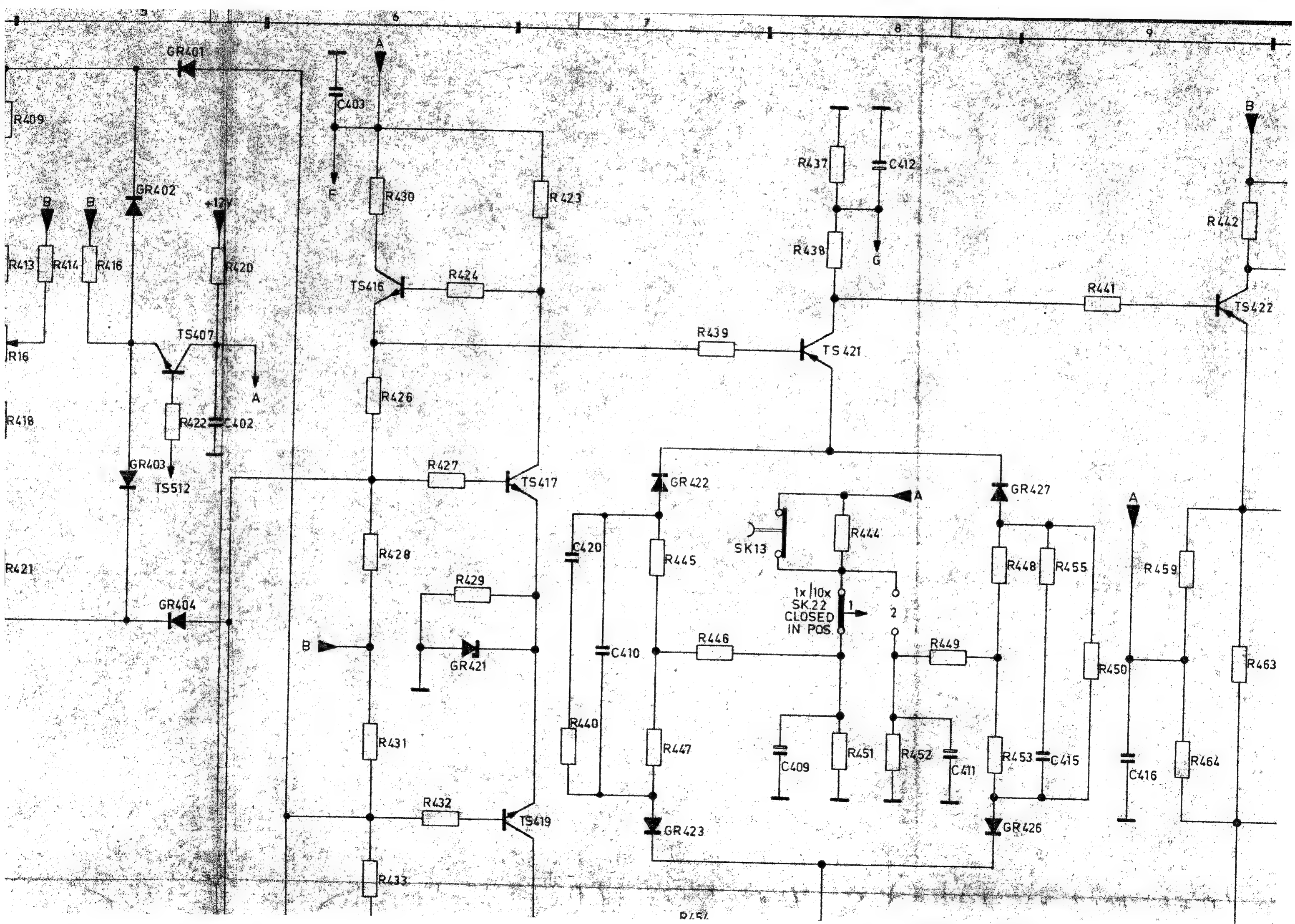
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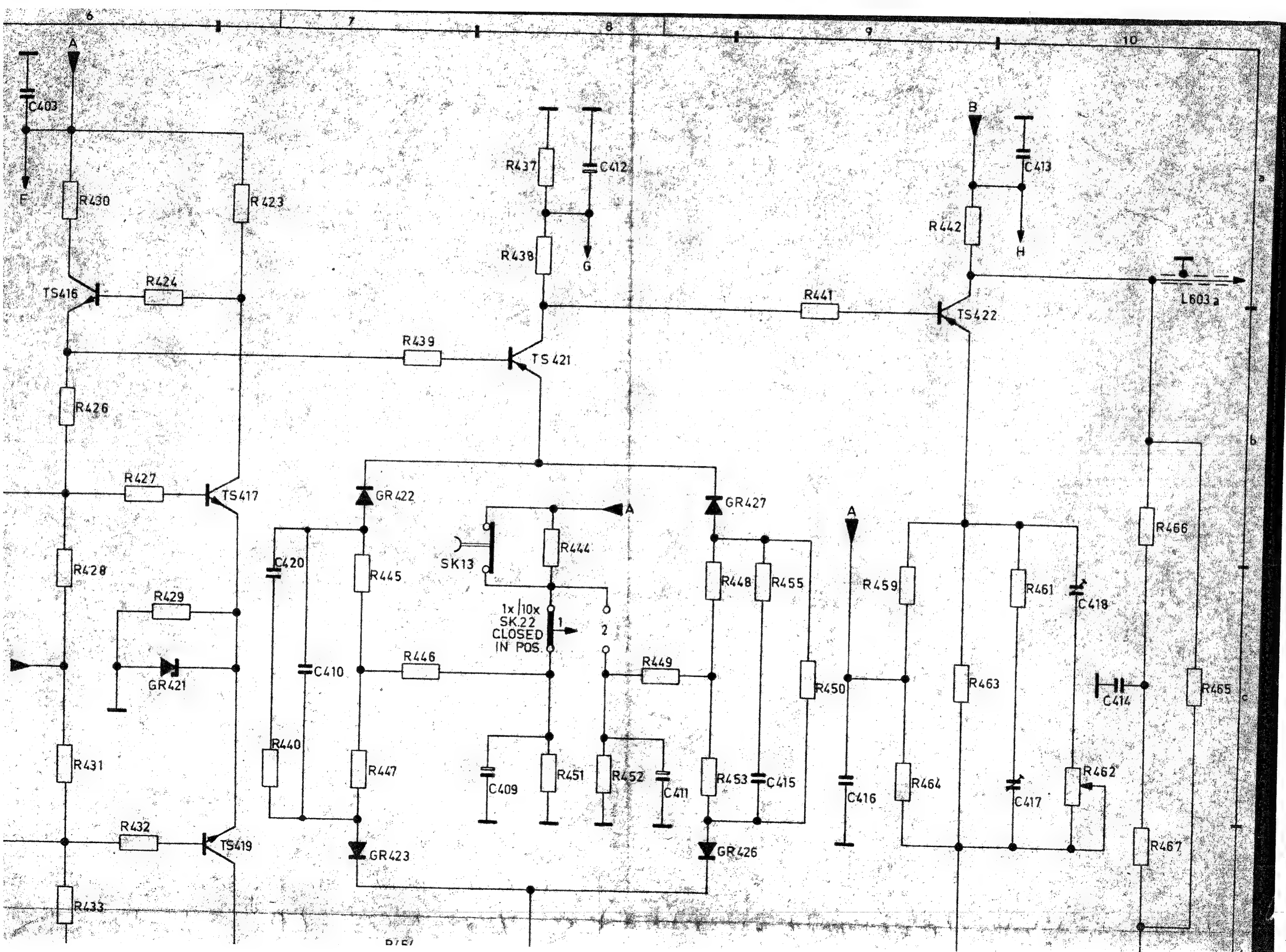


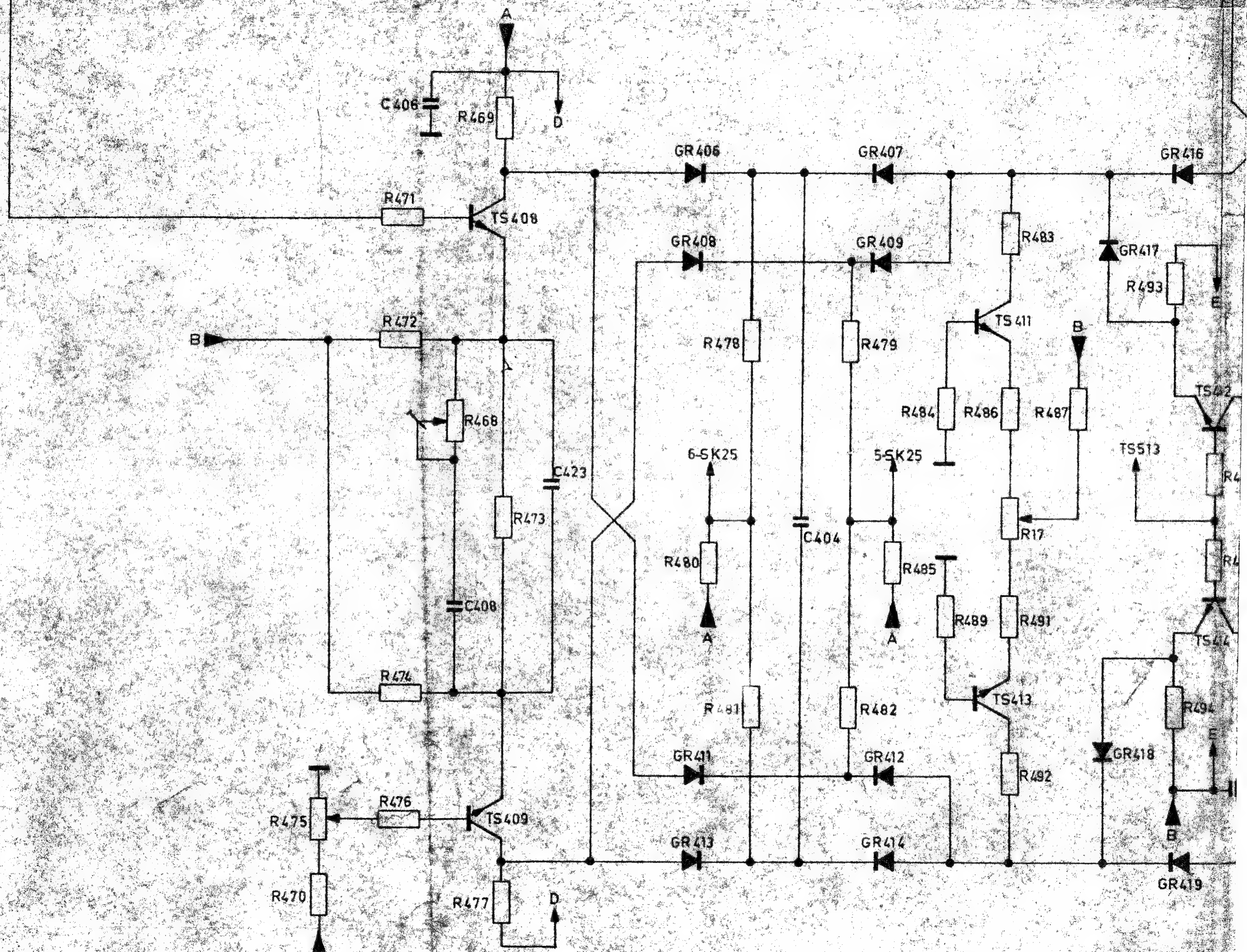
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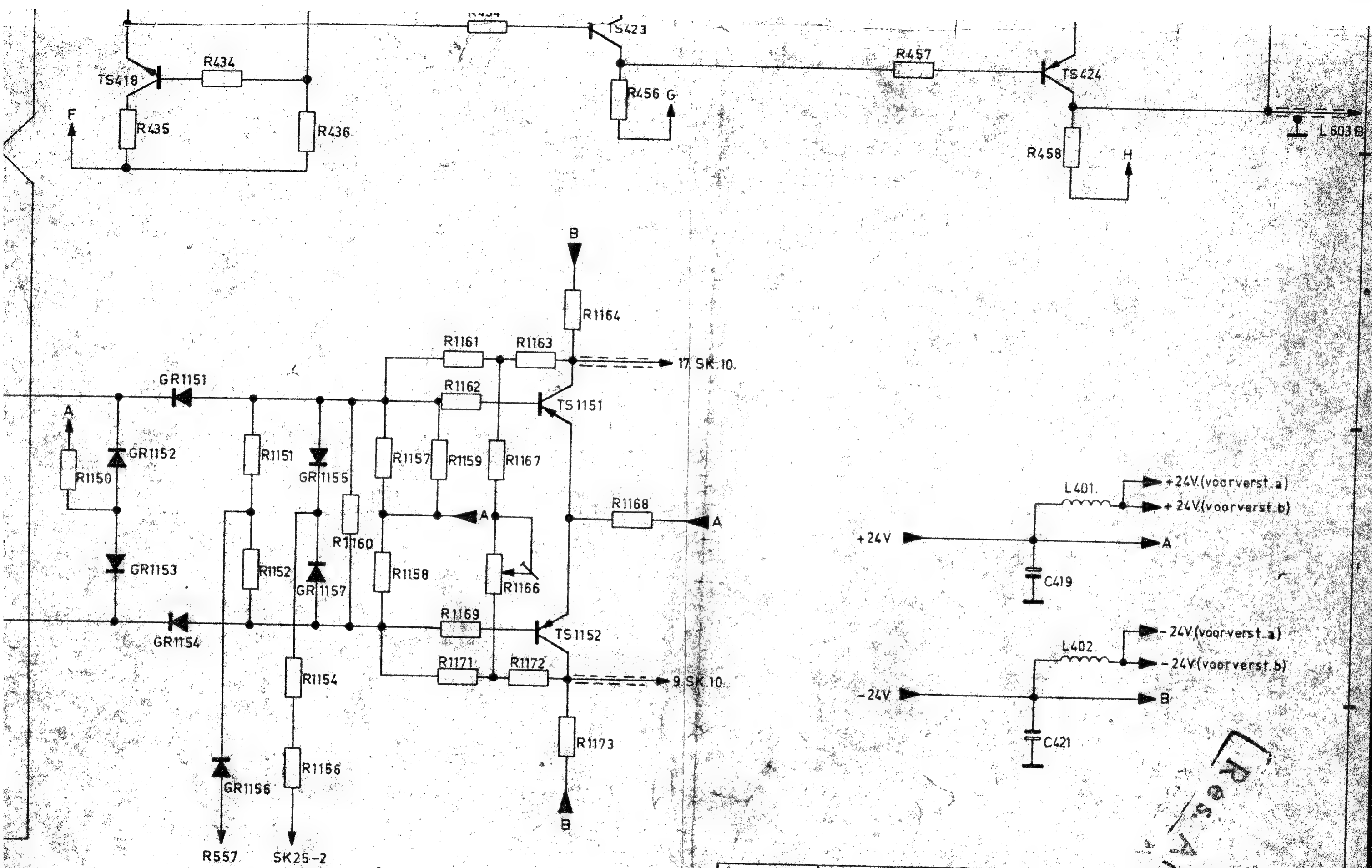
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GR1604 R1617

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+12V

R1616
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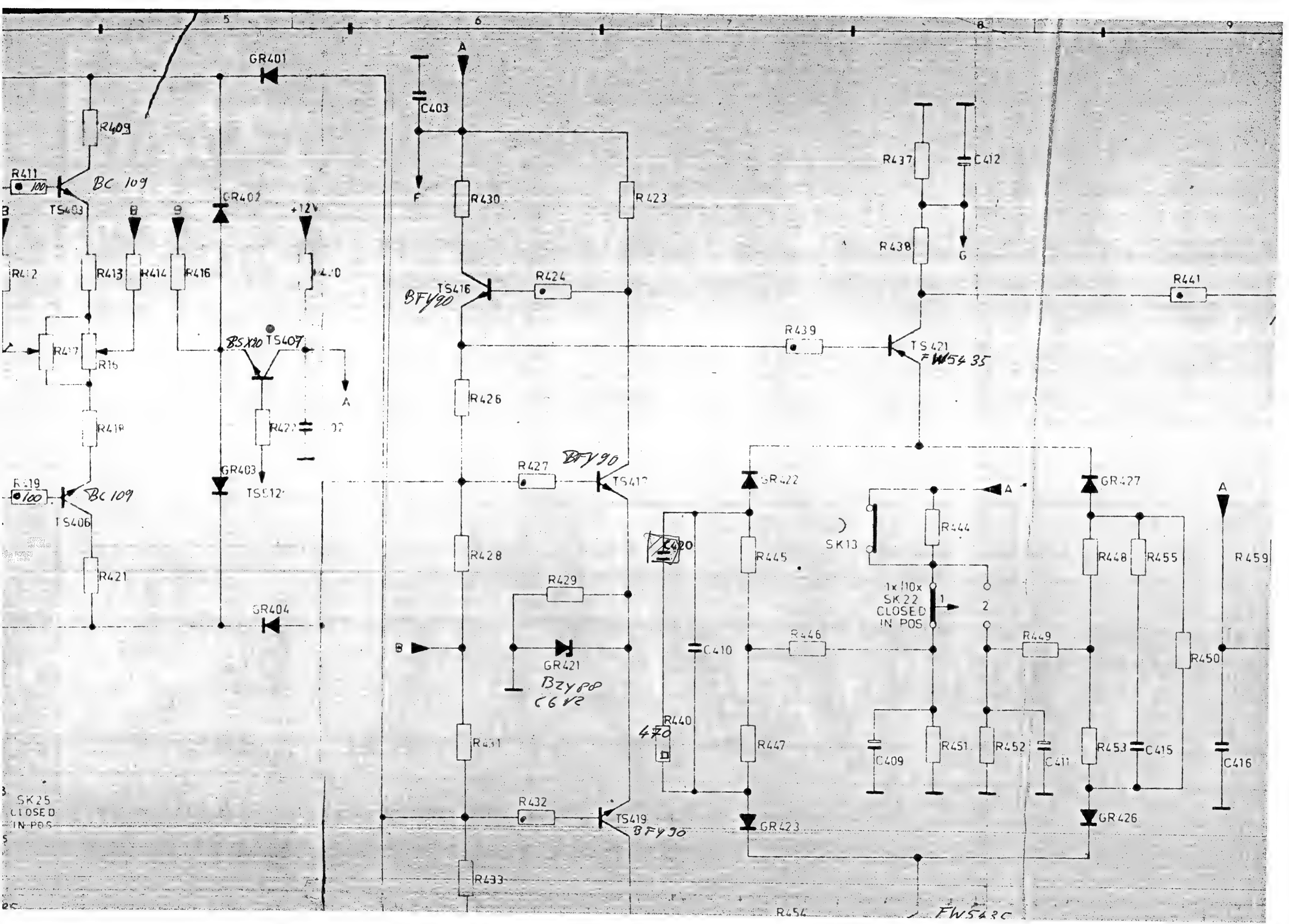
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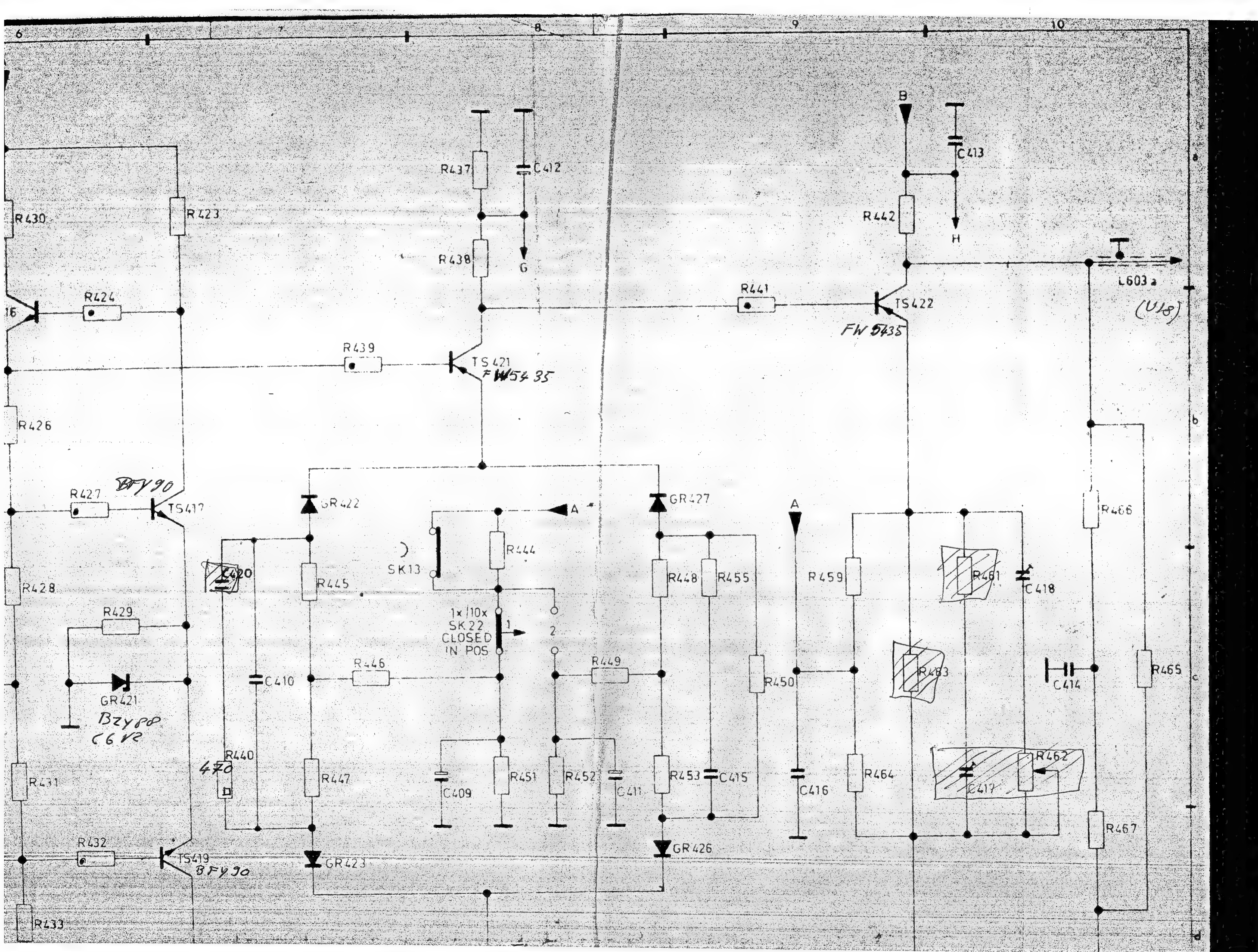
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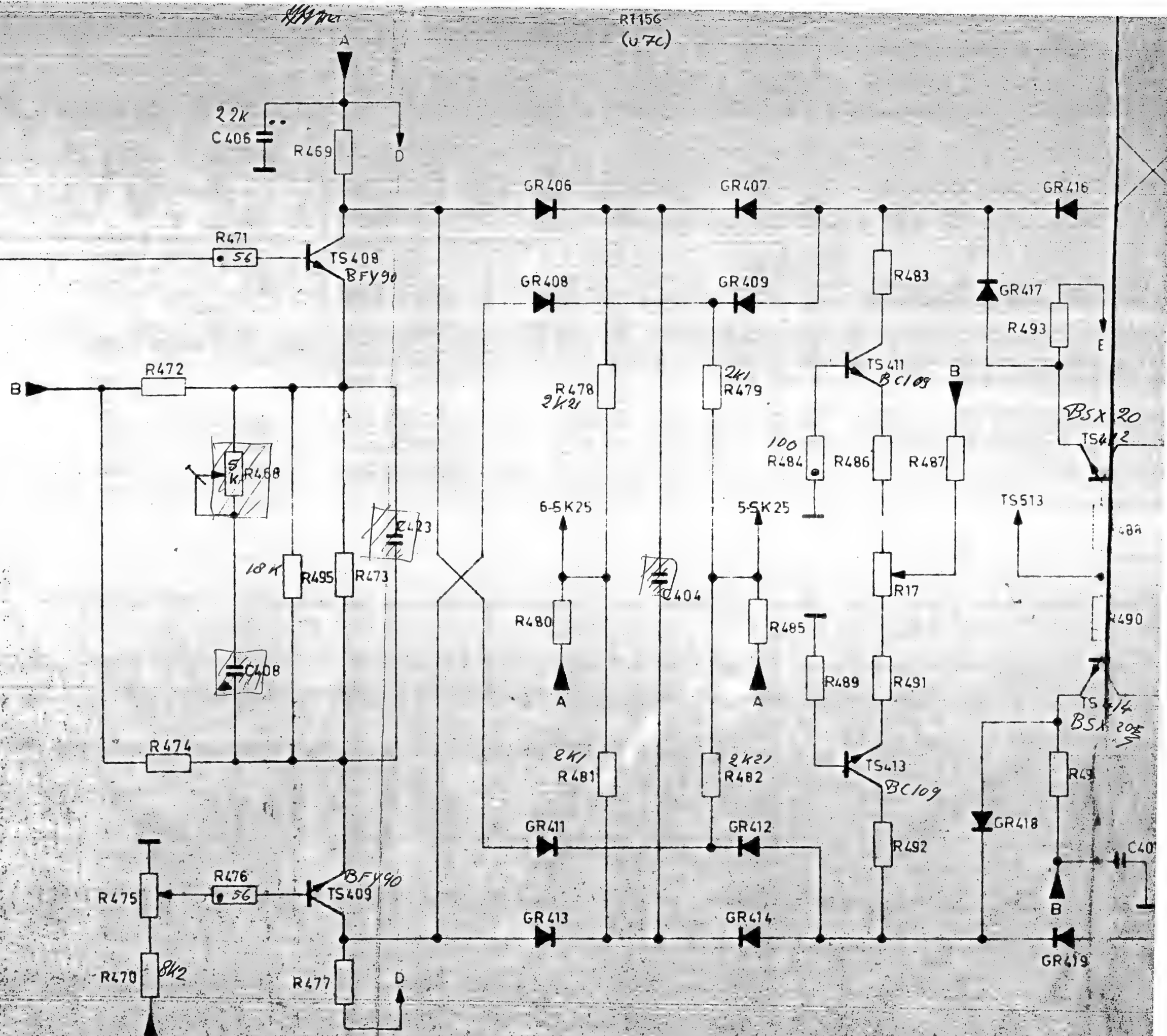
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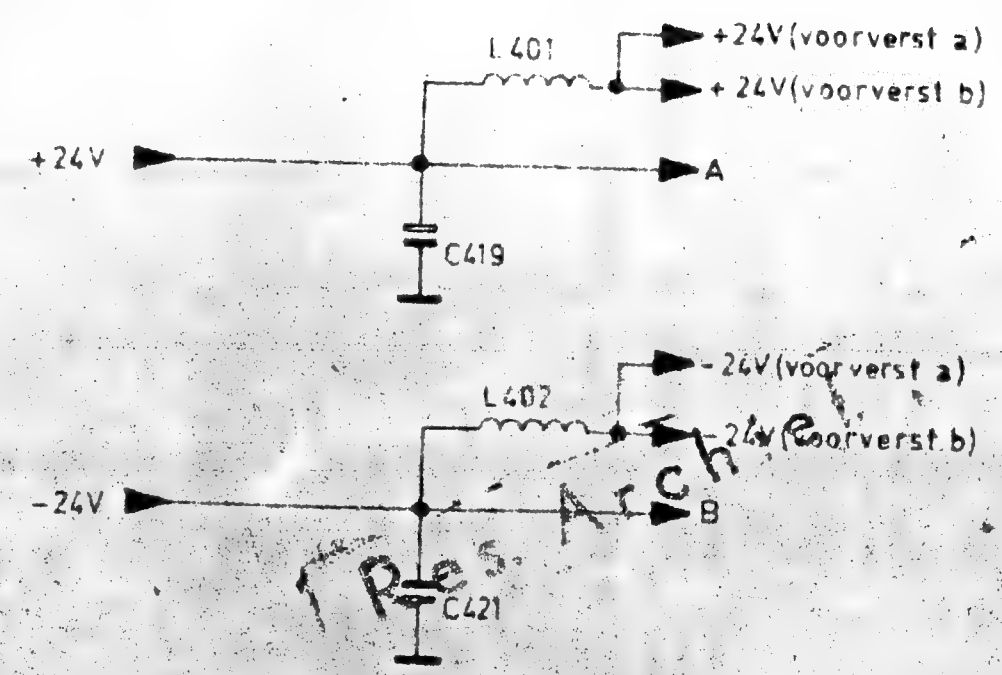
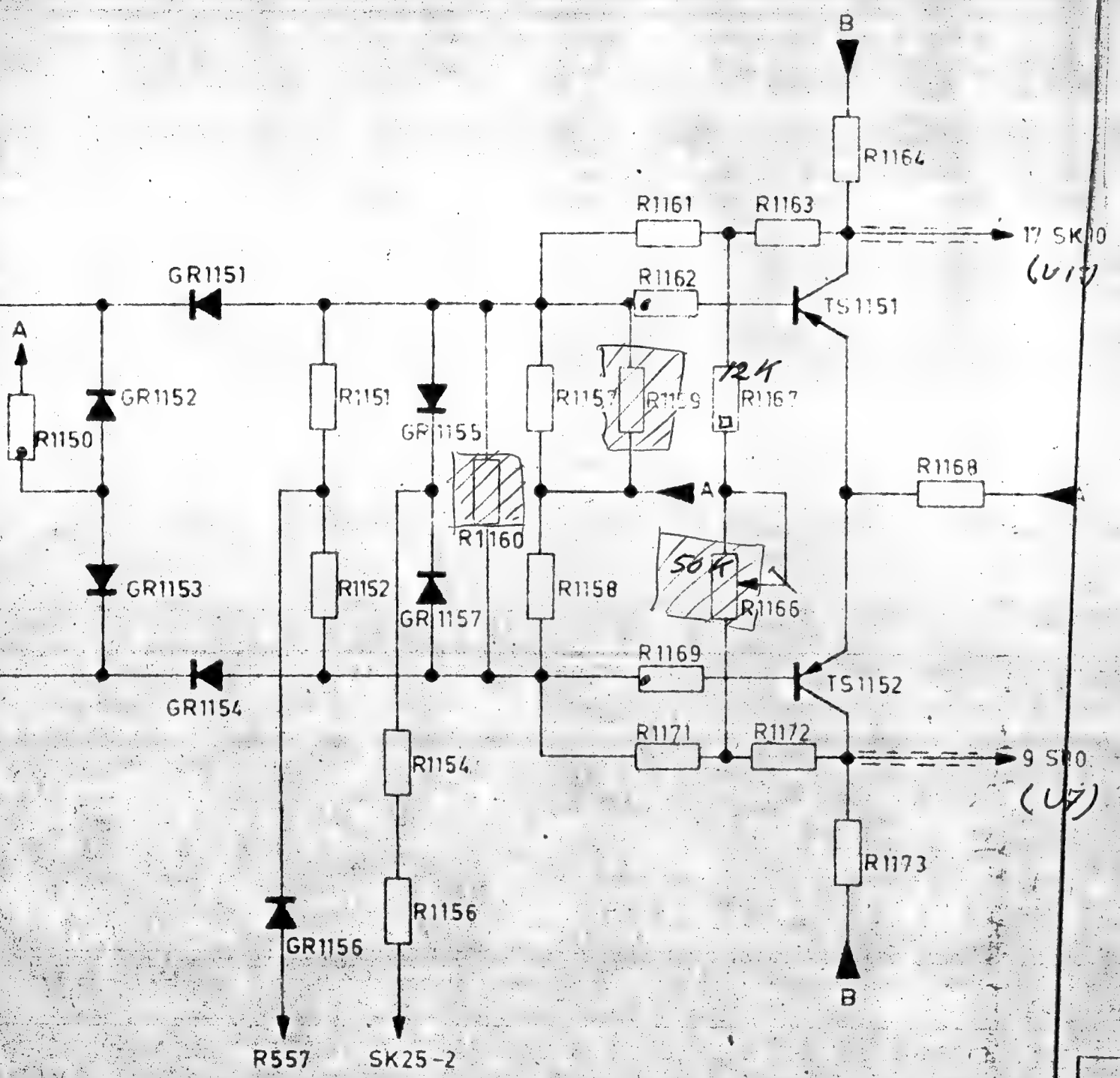
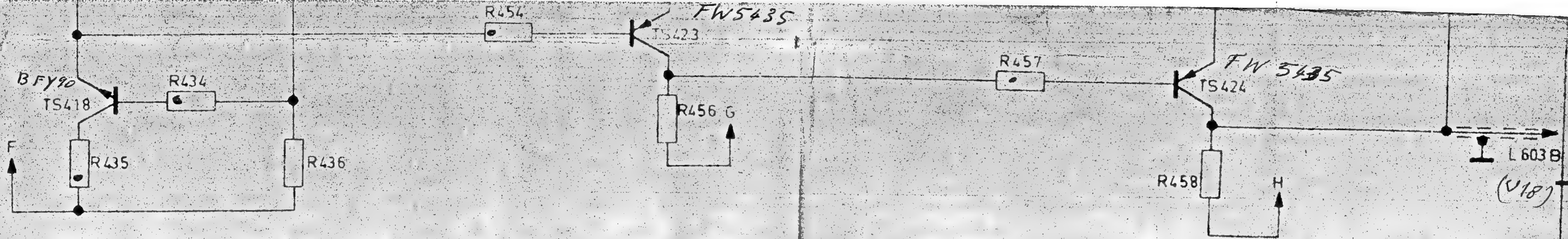
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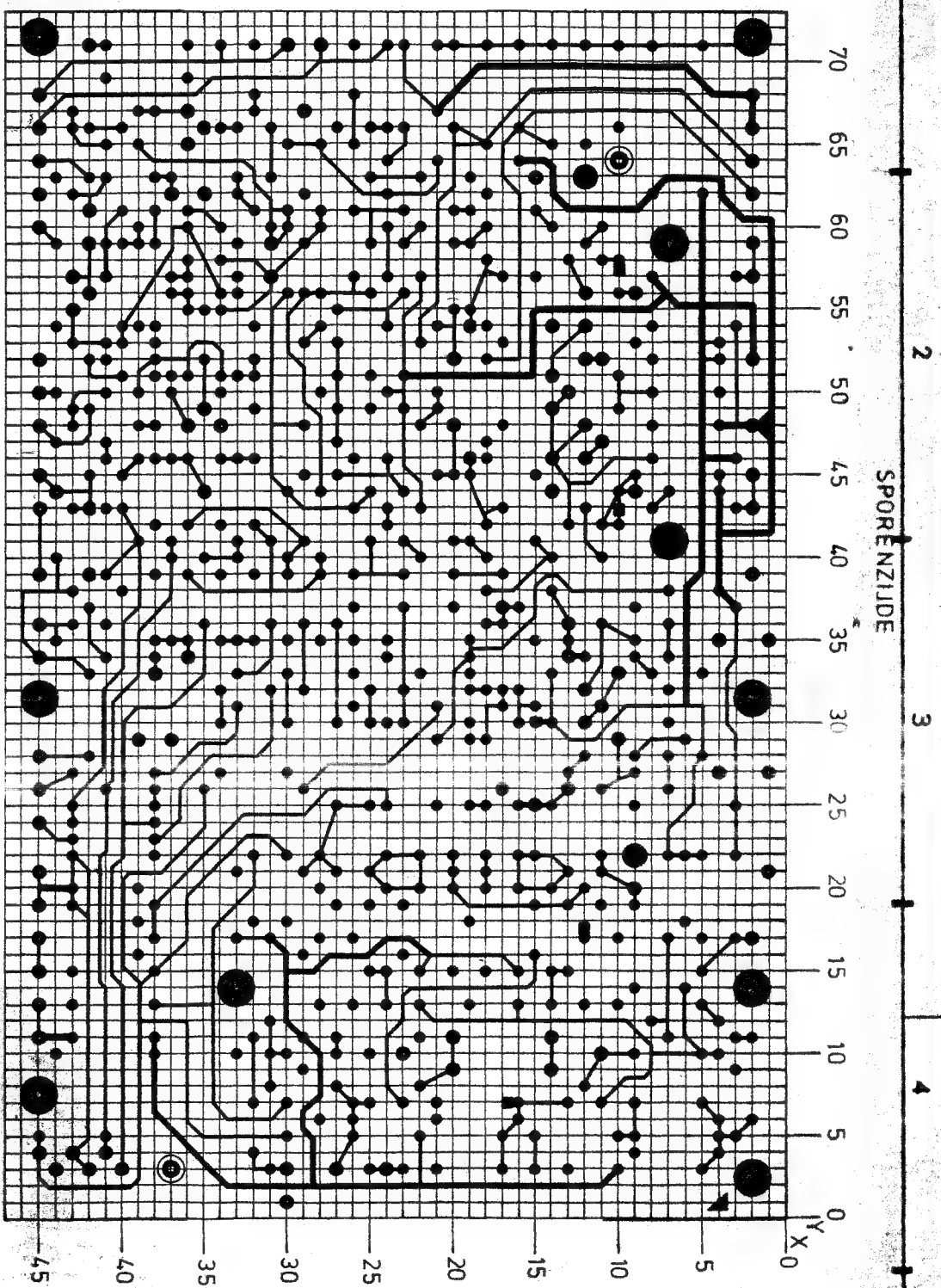






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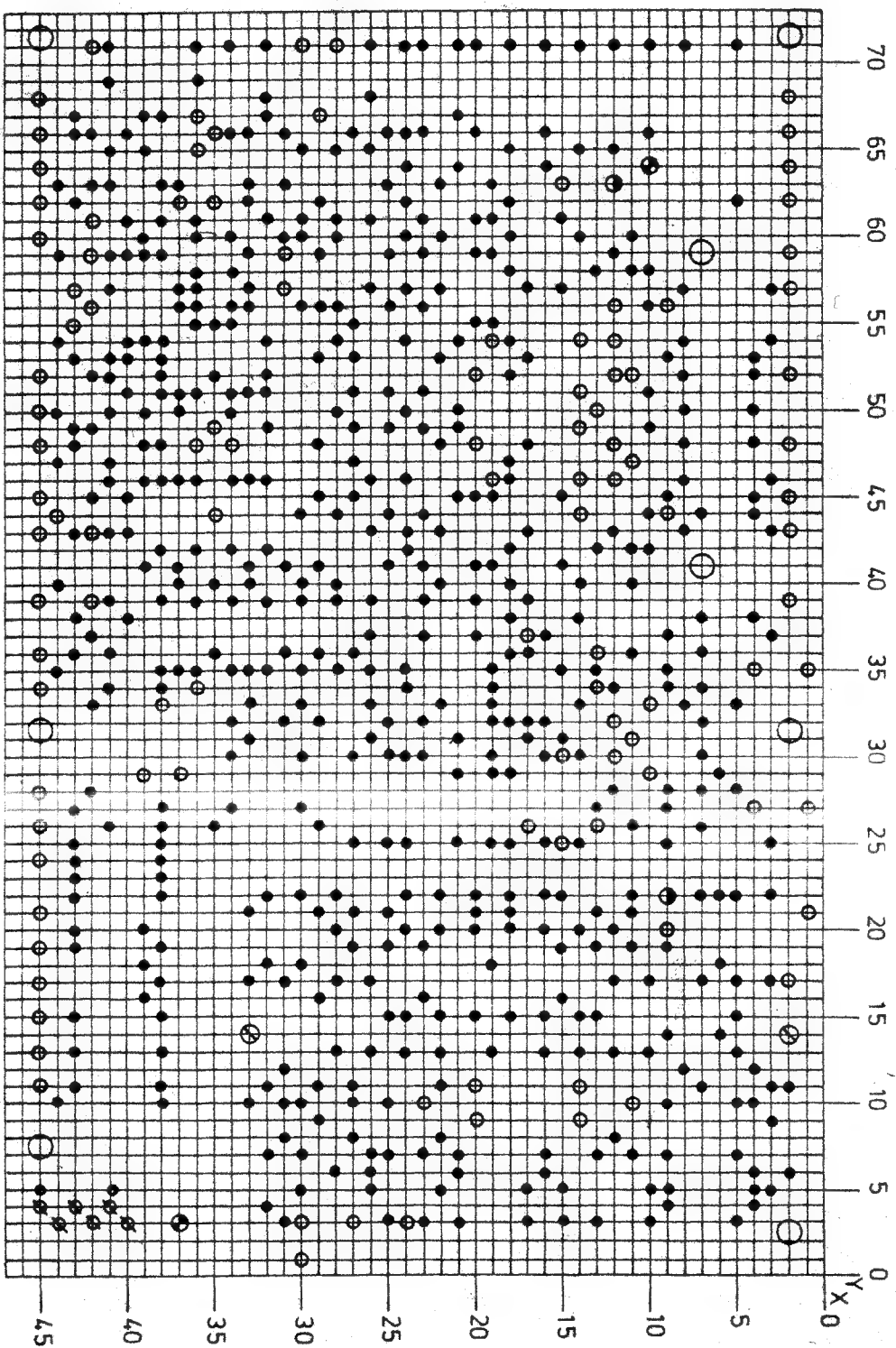
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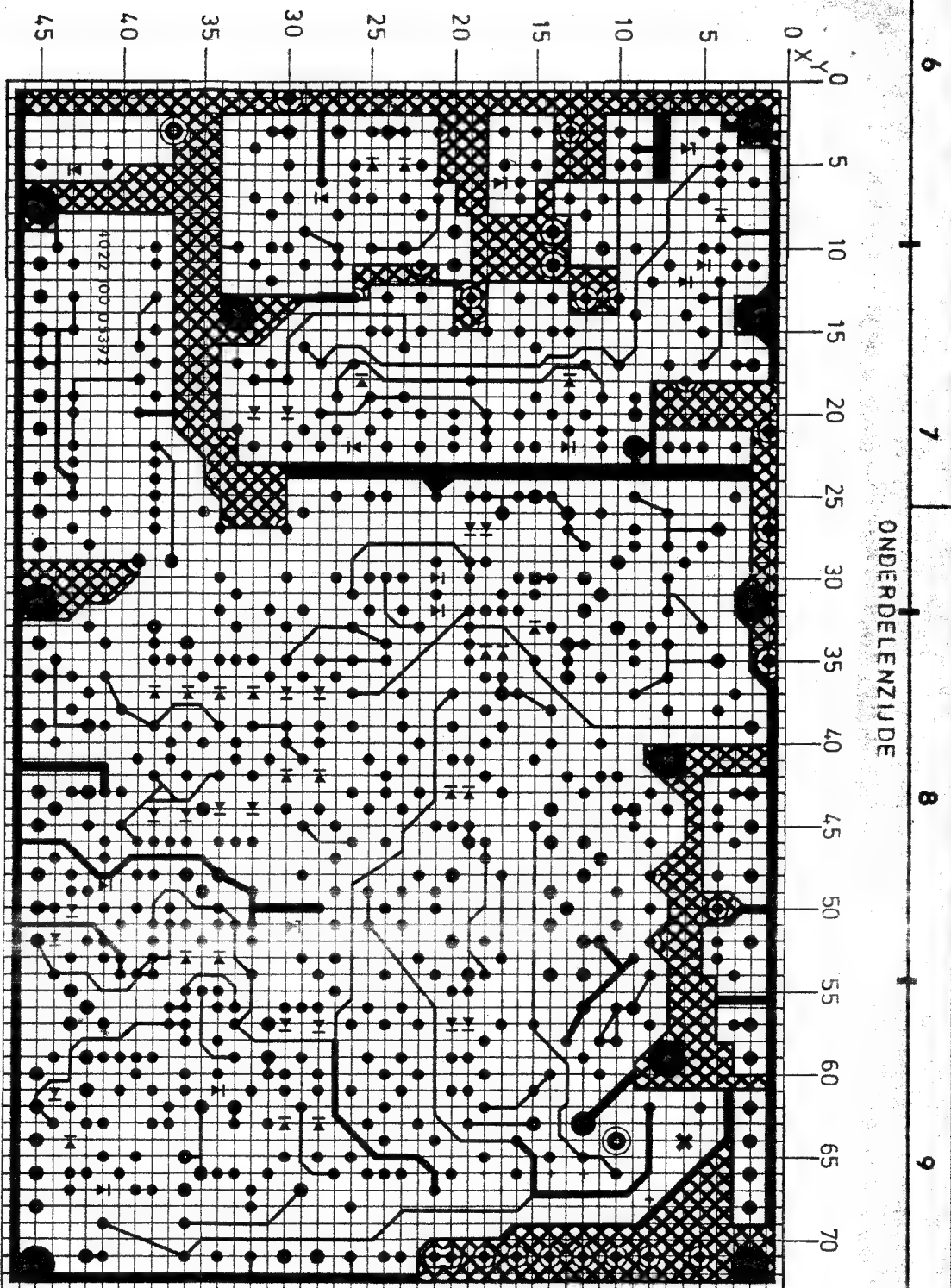
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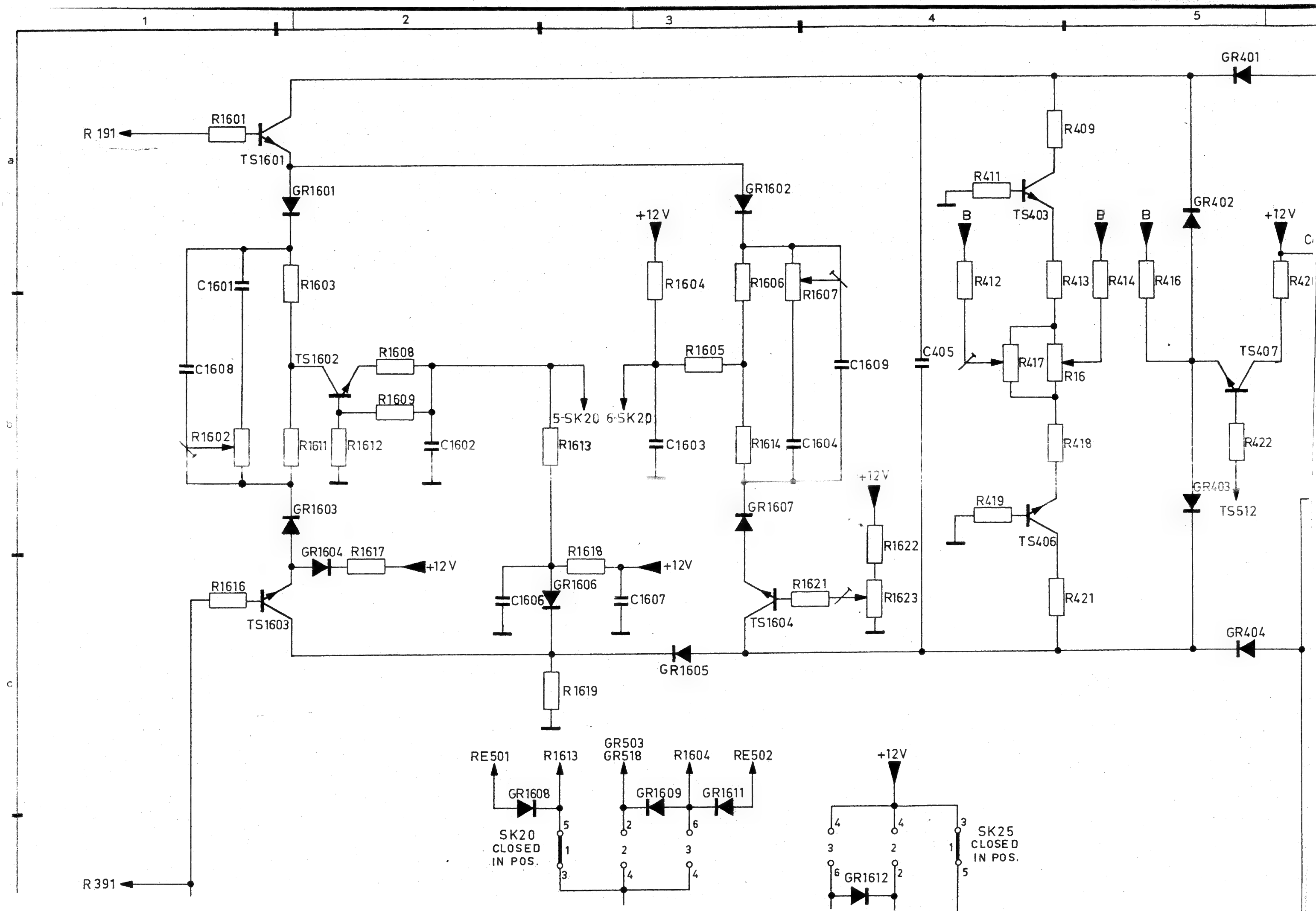
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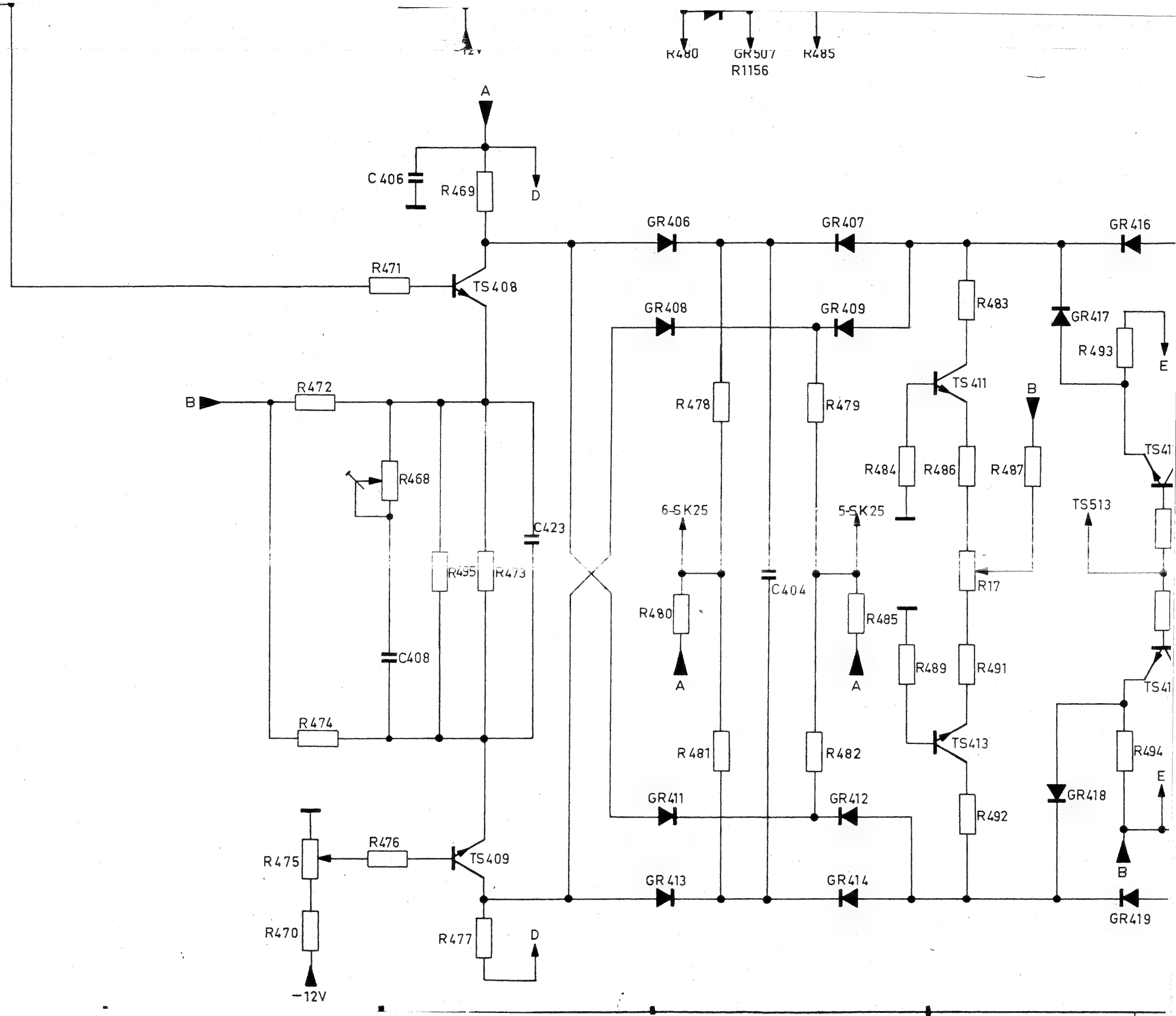
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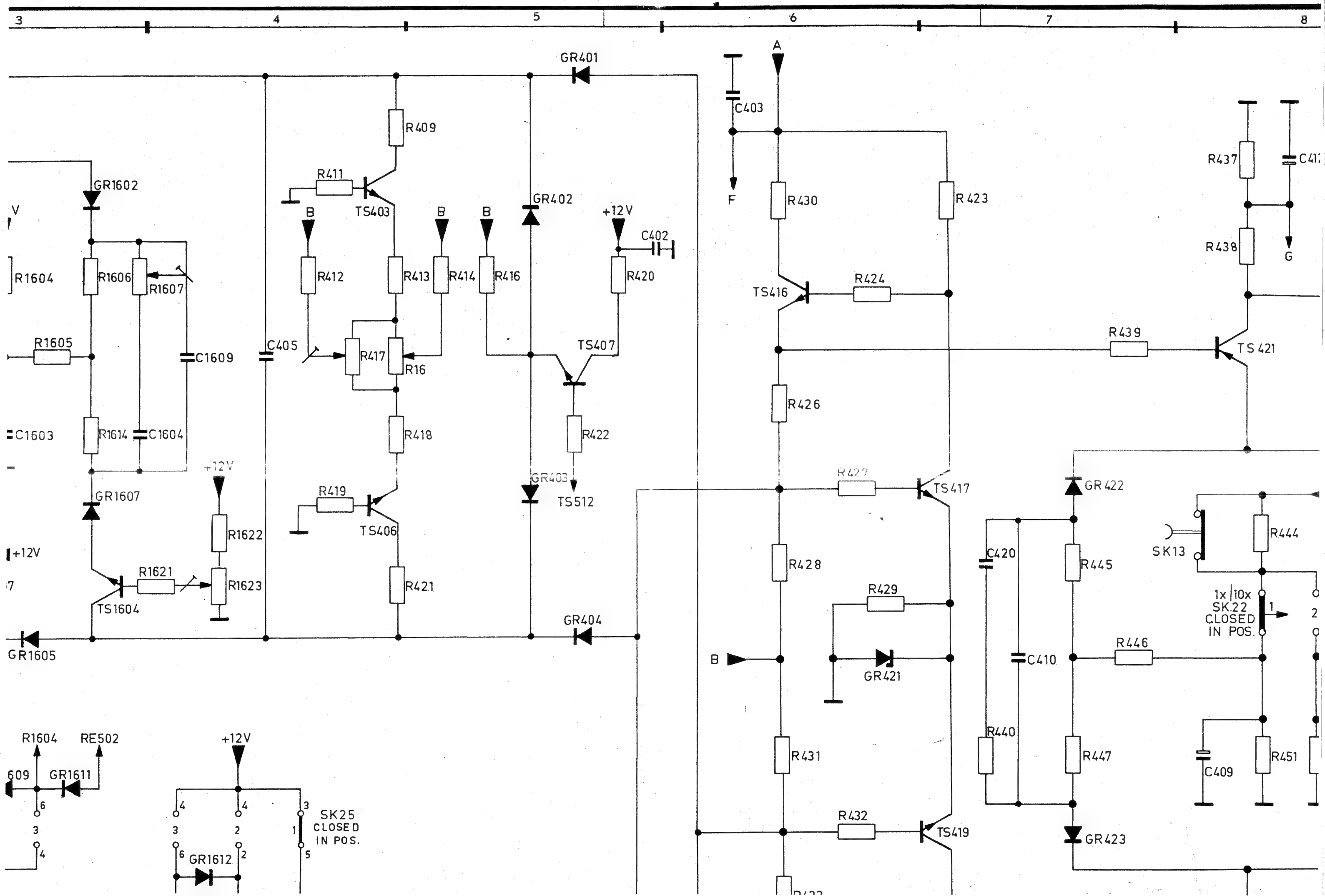
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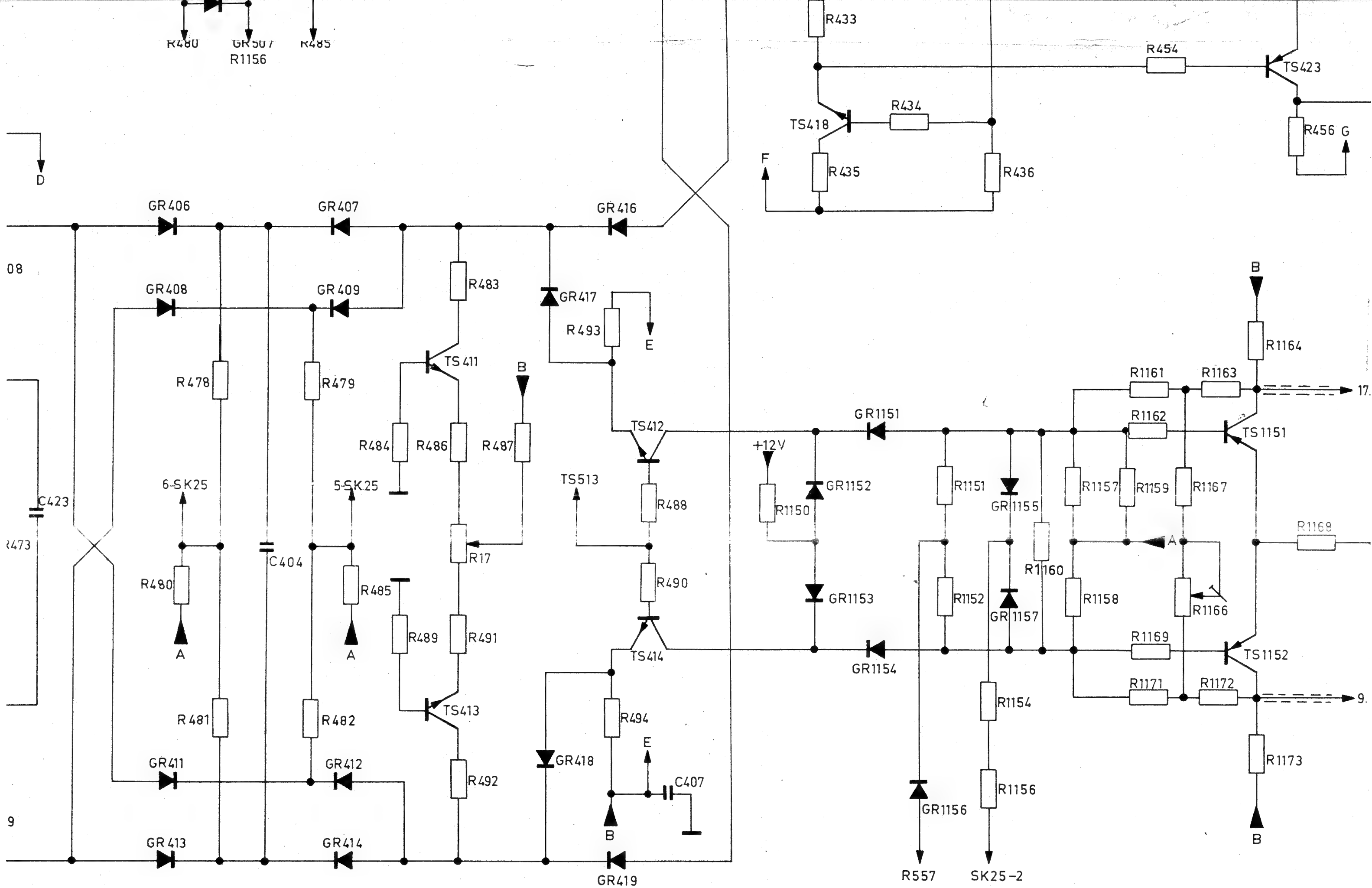
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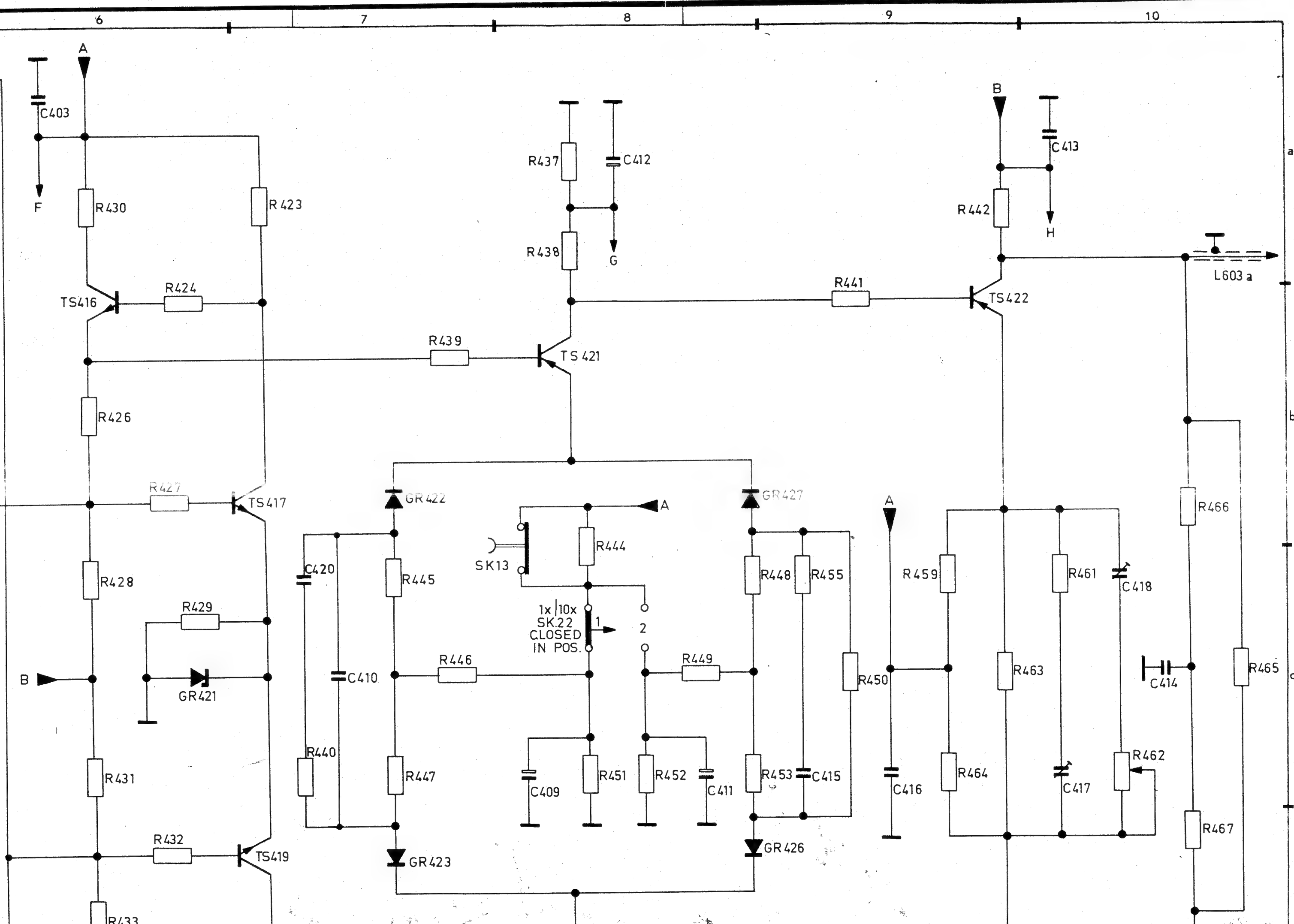
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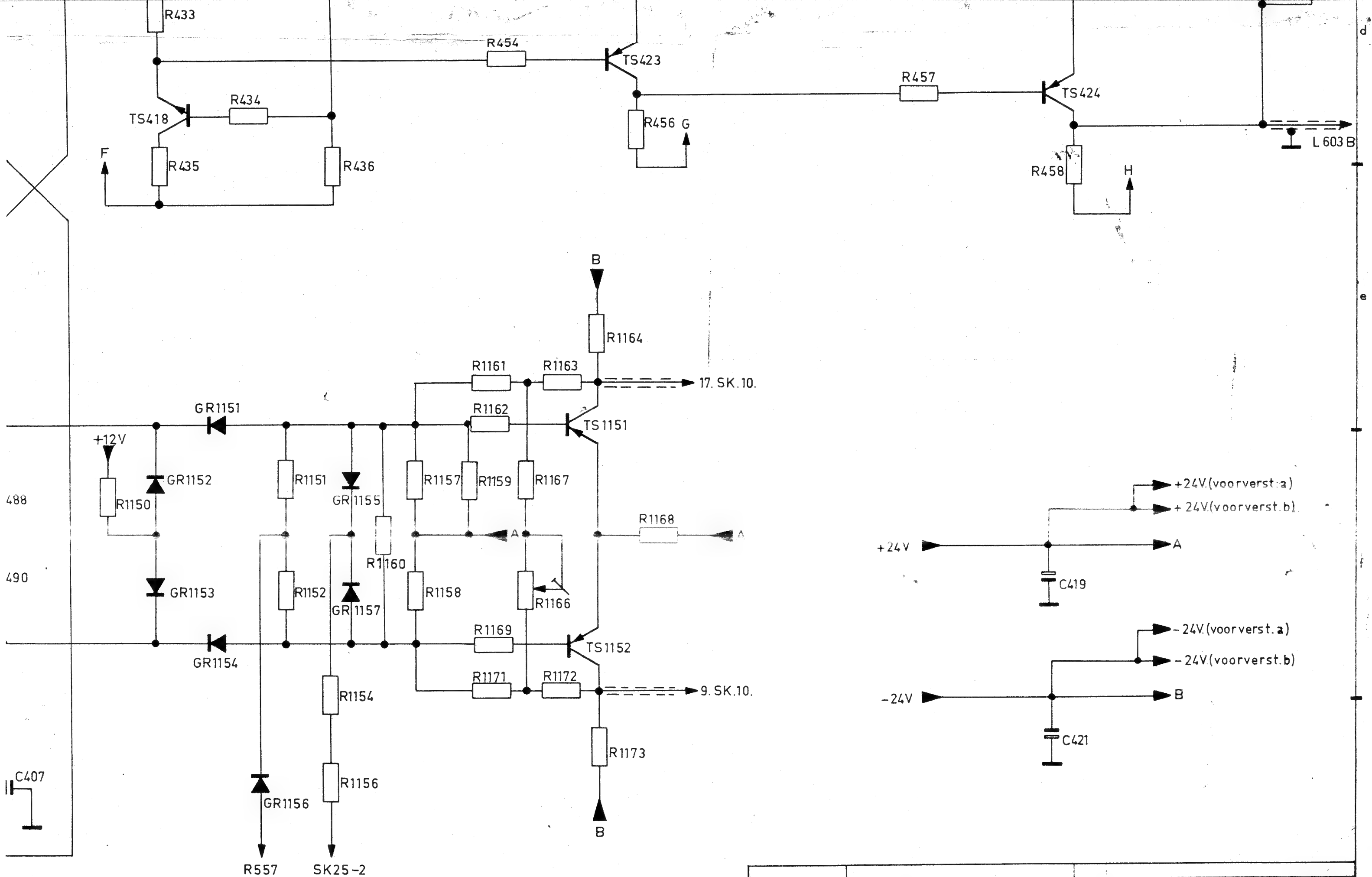






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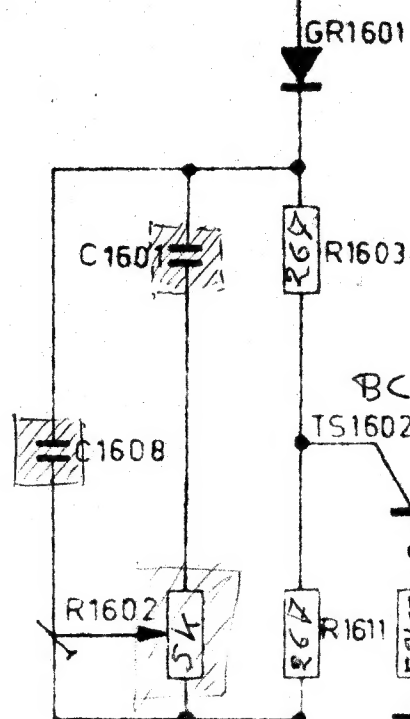
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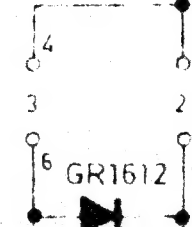
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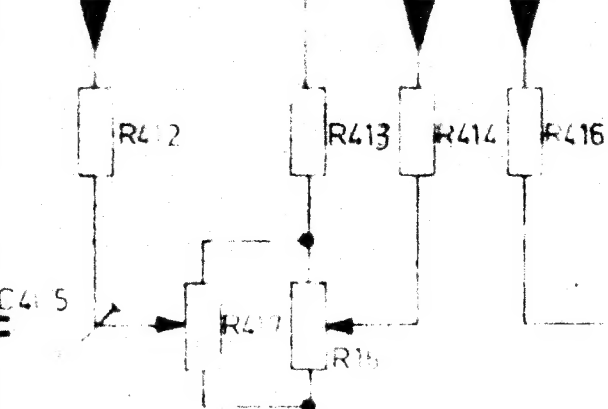
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